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Tax pushes Ruidoso to top of the list

BY TONI K. LAXSON
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Starting in January, a state first will occur in Ruidoso.

"You will be the first over 7 percent," said James O'Neill, an official with the New Mexico Taxation and Revenue Department, referring to a pending increase to Ruidoso's gross receipts tax rate.

Currently, Ruidoso is tied with Raton for the state's highest gross receipts tax at 6.9375 cents per dollar. Last week, after several postponements and an emotional debate, Lincoln County Commissioners voted

in the measure that will push Ruidoso's tax rate over the 7-percent mark. The commission unanimously approved a 1/8-cent increase to pay for indigent health care in the county.

The 1/8-cent tax increase becomes effective Jan. 1, Lincoln County Manager Tom Stewart said.

With that tax hike, Ruidoso's gross receipts tax will climb to 7.0625 cents on the dollar, and that will cost, for example, consumers in Ruidoso 12 cents more on a \$100 worth of groceries, or \$7.06 instead of \$6.94 in gross receipts tax.

Gross receipts taxes in Lincoln

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County will climb from 5.125 to 5.250 percent. Gross receipts tax on a \$100 bag of groceries in the county and outside any municipality will be \$5.25 instead of \$5.13.

Now, the county's only portion of the total gross receipts tax is 1/16 of a penny, Stewart said. The majority of the gross receipts tax goes to the state. Besides the 1/8 for an indigent health fund, county commissioners soon may

start discussing another 1/8 cent to pay for a new jail, he said. Stewart has said each 1/8-cent increase is projected to raise \$335,000 a year.

Ruidoso and Raton share the top spot for gross receipt tax because both municipalities have had to repair aging water systems, said O'Neill, director of tax policy in the state department, does not mention the county's portion.

"The reason for it basically is because Raton and Ruidoso were allowed a 1-cent supplemental tax by

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Business owners hope Sudderth face lift won't create a main drag

BY MESA SMITH & TONI K. LAXSON
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

Some uptown business owners fear that plans to beautify Sudderth Drive from midtown to Mechem Drive might end up hurting their businesses.

"We do need to upgrade our image," said Jim Goodwin, owner of Schlotzsky's Deli and TCBY Treats. But, he added, "Every parking place has a dollar value and with every one you lose, you're losing that much revenue. Every parking place is worth about \$200 a day to me."

Phase Two of the Main Street project, scheduled to start in April and possibly as soon as February, will improve curbs, sidewalks, street lights and landscaping, village officials announced Thursday.

Ruidoso Village Manager Alan Briley said an estimated 50 percent of the on-street parking — along curbs, near driveways and in front of businesses with other parking facilities — will be eliminated in the project. Instead, street parking will match that currently in midtown, where groups of three parking spaces are placed along the road.

Thursday night, in the first of many planned public meetings about the \$1 million project, Ruidoso Mayor Robert Donaldson addressed some merchants' worries.

"I know one of the big concerns for businesses is parking," Donaldson told a group of about 20 people. "So, we are going to work with individual business owners to get as much parking back there as we can."

But, as he said repeatedly, the beautification project is not about parking — it is about sidewalks,

pedestrians and extending the walking shopping district.

As far as keeping shoppers away because of lost parking spaces, Donaldson said most of the businesses in the planned improvement area have their own parking spaces, as compared to midtown where only about five stores do. Yet, he said, shoppers find their way to the midtown stores.

Donaldson invited merchants to schedule appointments next week with village officials to talk about their concerns. Business and property owners along the planned improvement area may schedule an appointment by calling village hall at 258-4343.

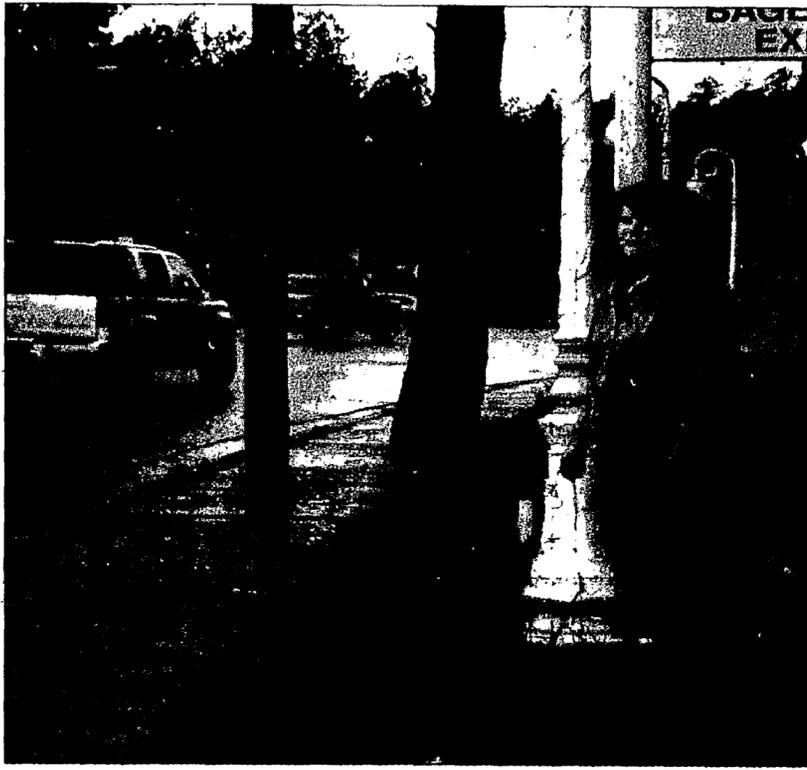
Donaldson said plans for the construction, though still a work-in-progress, call for the job to be completed in phases, with the areas in front of businesses without parking areas the first priority. The goal is to complete those areas before the summer tourism season is underway.

Though the start of the project is tentatively planned to start in April, Donaldson said there's a possibility it could take off as soon as February.

The project will incorporate lessons learned from the first midtown improvement project and the ongoing work on Mechem Drive and U.S. Highway 70, he said.

"This one is our project," Briley added. "And we want to make sure that we write specifications tight enough that we don't have the type of problems the state is having on Mechem."

In outlining initial plans for the project, Briley and Donaldson



Mesa Smith/Ruidoso News
Liesa Westmacott, owner of Sweet Creations, says the Sudderth Drive improvements in uptown are bound to effect her business and others.

said the street lights will not be the same as the wooden lights in midtown, which are expensive and require high maintenance. The new street lights will cast the same bronze glow, though.

Sidewalks are to vary in size up to 10 feet across, Donaldson said. Benches will be placed along the project along with garbage cans. Landscaping plans include aspen trees and a non-fruit bearing pear tree as well as bushes and flowers.

The village will receive \$750,000 in federal money for the project, which Ruidoso will match with \$250,000 of its own.

The impending construction has

some business owners worried also.

"I'm looking forward to it being nice, but not looking forward to the construction. There's so much of that already," said Liesa Westmacott, owner of Sweet Creations. "I don't see how it can't hurt the business a little bit."

Myra Taylor, who owns Mountain Ski Shop with her husband, Ronnie, was more optimistic.

"It will improve business up here," Taylor said. She said that with sidewalks, people might continue to walk past midtown and visit the shops farther up on Sudderth.

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Convention staff rolls out the red carpet for bevy of artists

BY MESA SMITH
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

Months of hard work and preparation provide the canvas that supports the colorful works of art on display today through Sunday at the Ruidoso Art Festival.

"This is a very important event for us. We go all out for it," said Cherie Holmes, executive assistant for the Chamber of Commerce, who is in her first year of putting together the Art Festival.

The whole production starts in January when applications for the Art Festival are sent out to artists, she said. The applications, accompanied by slides of the artists' work, are returned by March 17. A five-person jury reviews the slides in an impartial process where the artists' names are not mentioned. The artists who are selected to participate in the Art Festival are then contacted.

"We have many more (artists) apply than we have space for," Holmes said.

Preparations for the Art Festival

include arranging details with the Ruidoso Convention Center, where the festival takes place; and food donations for the Chamber's hamburger stand and the hospitality room, Holmes said.

"Attention to details is the number one thing," she said.

On Thursday, Chamber of Commerce members and volunteers were busy dividing the convention center's floor into 125 booths that are 10 feet by 10 feet, tagging spaces in the parking lot for the artists and setting up a tent outside for food vendors.

Artist registration started around 1 p.m. Thursday.

"You see a large room transfer into an elegant art show," Holmes said.

For Manny Cordova, Ruidoso Convention Center building supervisor, the job preparing for the art show is made easier by a team effort.

"This is a pretty easy event to work," Cordova said. "The artists bring in their own equipment and the Chamber is well-coordinated and makes things a lot easier, they really

make it h. open."

Setting up for the Art Festival at the Ruidoso Convention Center involves breaking down the set-up from previous activities, cleaning the facility, taking down all the movable walls because the festival uses the entire conference area, setting up a hospitality room and running electrical cords, Cordova said.

Monica Gonzales, office manager at the convention center, said, "It's really an on-going process." She said they started getting the convention center ready for the festival on Tuesday.

Cordova said the convention center's staff had to make sure lighting was adequate for each booth after the artists arrived, and supplied them with tables and chairs if needed.

With the Art Festival in full swing, the staff's job will be to maintain the facility, which includes monitoring the electricity and making sure the air-conditioning is adequate. The

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Phyllis Barnett, standing, board member of the Chamber of Commerce, and Joan Zagone, executive director of the Chamber, tape down booth divisions in the empty convention center.

Mesa Smith
Ruidoso News

DEATHS FUNERALS

Bob Saldevar

Memorial services for Bob Saldevar, 69, of Alto, will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, at Community United Church in Ruidoso, with the Rev. Harry Riser officiating.

Mr. Saldevar died Tuesday, July 20, 1999 at his home.

He was born March 24, 1930 in Oakland, Calif. He was a retired electronic engineer and has served in the Navy. He moved to Alto in 1994 from Albuquerque.

He married Dina Long on June 9, 1951 in Pasadena, Calif. After living in southern California for many years, the Saldevar family moved to Albuquerque in 1972. For 25 years, Mr. Saldevar worked as an electrical engineer for Beckman Instruments. He loved to enjoy life and in 1992 his dreams came true when he

retired. He and his wife moved to Alto in January 1994.

Survivors include his wife, Dina, of Alto; a son, Scott Saldevar and his wife, Debbie, of Alamogordo; a daughter, Dee Saldevar-Brown and her husband, Mark, of Placitas; a sister, Virginia Alvarez of San Lorenzo, Calif.; grandchildren Christina Rae Hennsley and her husband Christopher, and Joshua Scott Saldevar; a great-grandson, Tyler Michael Hennsley; and great-niece and great-nephews Jake and Abbey Campbell of San Diego, Calif., and Erik Benton of Seattle, Wash.

The family requests memorials to Hospice of Lincoln County, 116 Nob Hill, Ruidoso, N.M. 88345.

Arrangements are under the direction of LaGrone Funeral Chapel of Ruidoso.

CRIME

Mormon church arsonist gets 15 years

Jilted romance sparks vandalism spree that resulted in \$3 million of damage

Walter Gene Grassie of Roswell was sentenced to 15 years and ordered to pay restitution of almost \$3 million for church arson fires.

BY TONI K. LAXSON
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

A Roswell man convicted in March of vandalizing or burning Mormon churches last year in Alto, Artesia, Alamogordo and Roswell received his sentence this week in U.S. District Court in Albuquerque.

"Walter Grassie was sentenced to 15 years in a federal penitentiary. And, of course, in a federal penitentiary that means actually serving 15 years," said Assistant U.S. Attorney Robert J. Gorence, who prosecuted the case, Thursday.

U.S. District Court Judge C. LeRoy Hansen also ordered Grassie, a Church of Christ preacher, to pay almost \$3 million in restitution to the Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints for the arson fire of a Roswell church June 28, 1998, Gorence said.

Grassie's "campaign of violence" in 1998 included harassment of the Mormon family of a woman who had broken off an eight-year affair with Grassie, prosecutors said. The end of his liaison with Sharlene Jensen is attributed as the impetus to Grassie's actions, including those directed at churches.

He reportedly threw paint on churches and vans, burnt a truck, cut television cable wires to his former mistress's home, set a barn on fire and spray-painted "Charlene (sic) is a whore," and "LDS whore" on railroad boxcars in Dexter, a town south of Roswell, the U.S. District Attorney's office said.

In a two-month period, Grassie also caused more than \$150,000 in damages at churches, ending with a \$2.5 million arson at the Roswell church, according to an informant from the U.S. District Attorney's office in New Mexico.

The Alto church was vandalized on May 25, 1998. Grassie reportedly damaged the church door with an edged tool, which

he then used to hack musical instruments, pews, doors and walls. The total damage was reported at \$20,000, prosecutors said.

Grassie also hand-delivered letters to the husband of Jensen and to her church pastor detailing their sexual relationship.

At the sentencing hearing, prosecutors presented an assortment of love letters, romance novels, candy and gifts that Grassie sent to the Jensens while he was in jail awaiting sentencing. Judge Hansen, at the request of prosecutors, ordered Grassie to not have any contact with the Jensens, who have since moved from Roswell.

On March 23, Grassie was convicted of one felony count of religiously motivated church arson, one count of use of fire to commit an underlying federal offense, six misdemeanor counts of vandalism against New Mexico Mormon churches, one count of use of fire in the commission of the church arson and an additional count of arson of a truck used in an interstate business.

CLARIFICATION FOR THE RECORD

In the Wednesday edition of the Ruidoso News, the photo on page 2A of the Mescalero Hot Shot crew at the flood scene in Mescalero was given

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Nicholas Garcia took the picture and provided it to the News as a courtesy photo.

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OUR OPINION

The price of paradise is going up

Considerable praise is due the Lincoln County Commission for a change. Praise for courage, believe it or not. The commissioners last week, after a good three years of studies and public hearings, finally took the bit in their teeth and agreed to establish a fund to assist medically indigent residents of the county.

Hearing after hearing, study after study had made it clear that there was a need for such a fund. Ruidoso's fine hospital, the Lincoln County Medical Center, had absorbed that cost for years...but the price of medical care isn't shrinking. The county has been almost alone in New Mexico in ducking the indigence question — on behalf of its taxpayers, perhaps, but still ducking the question.

Perhaps the commissioners, notoriously tight-fisted in many respects, couldn't stand the sight of the chairman of the county's Health and Wellness Board down on his knees begging for action. Perhaps the four public hearings and a variety of surveys did the trick.

Maybe the commissioners were just tired of hearing the same story year after year.

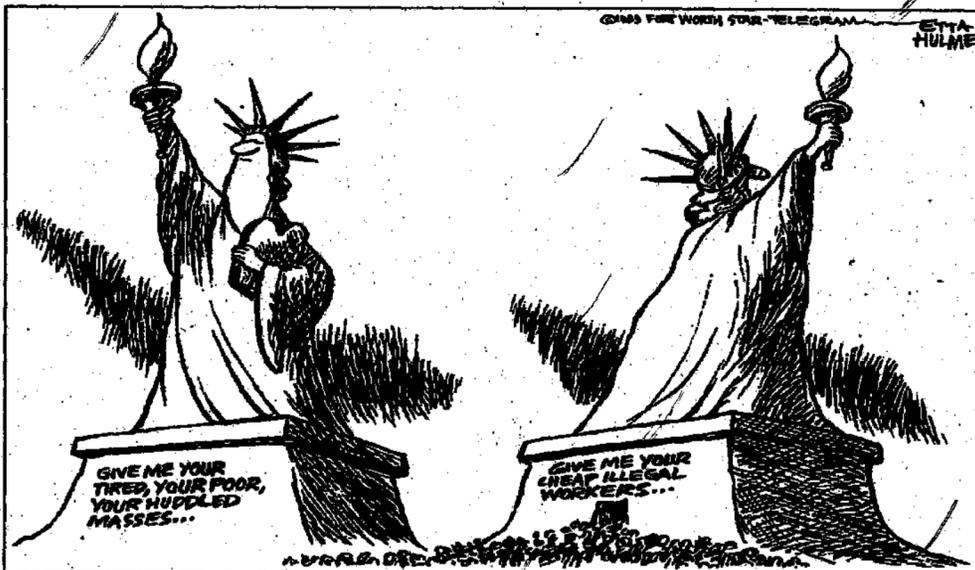
Or maybe they decided that adding an eighth of a cent to the county's load of gross receipts taxes to finance the fund would be paid mostly by tourist-heavy Ruidoso anyway. (Every local politician knows, of course, that hardly any Ruidoso residents go to the polls come election time.)

That eighth of a cent, too, will vault Ruidoso to the top of the pile among New Mexico municipalities when it goes into effect on Jan. 1, 2000. Our fair village will have the honor of being the first in the state to collect more than 7 cents of gross receipts taxes for every dollar in sales — 7.0625 percent, to be exact. That's a distinction that few other communities will want to challenge. It breaks the tie with Raton that Ruidoso had maintained for a while.

But all of us can take some consolation that finally Lincoln County is accepting some of the social burden that comes in caring for those who, almost always through no fault of their own, desperately need medical care that they cannot afford.

Ruidoso and Lincoln County has a long history of "independence" in political thought and deed; its people have taken pride in going their own way and the devil take the rest. But Ruidoso and Lincoln County people also have a long history of reaching out with a helping hand to those in need.

It might cost us a little more to live in our earthly paradise. But it's worth it.



In a school daze

I note with considerable interest, and maybe even glee, the success high school students in Capitan have had in getting a change in the student dress code through the district's elected school board.

MOUNTAIN ASIDES



BY KEITH GREEN
RUIDOSO NEWS

It says something about the spirit of democracy when some teen-aged activists can win the right to pick and choose when they can wear shorts to class.

That's about as much spirit among the young as we have seen since the hippies invaded New Mexico in the '60s and made it very clear that they would brook no interference with their right to dress (or not) as they pleased.

It's a spirit I find myself wishing to see more of these days, as everybody under 30, it seems, become more homogenized in an era when television commercials carry more weight than teachers or preachers can even dream of.

Note that those Capitan kids didn't take to the streets or burn flags, or do anything particularly outrageous.

They got together, found a leader, and negotiated. A young lady named Holly Schlarb persuaded the board that high school students could exercise more judgment and therefore have different privileges than their little brothers and sisters in the lower grades.

That, as they say, is awesome, and a far cry from a time I remember when high school girls weren't even allowed to wear jeans; it was skirts and blouses or dresses, period. Except for gym class, of course.

Cut-offs? Nobody ever heard of them.

But are those Capitan high schoolers already getting a glimpse of the generation gap?

We hear kids at the middle school don't want to wear shorts at all.

Now, is that another indication of homogenization, or simply a demonstration by the younger kids that their big brothers and sisters had better not tell them what to do?

YOUR OPINION

Police aftermath

To the editor:
In response to Mr. Young's letter...

Mr. Farmer did not defame Chief Maddox, but addressed concerns that he has a right to ask as a Ruidoso resident. If citizens don't question their government, you will find a city/county/state/federal government out of control, as I believe ours currently is. On all levels.

Your statement that communication is not a "political game," it is a necessity made no sense. While the statement is technically accurate, it is in practice inaccurate. We are discussing politics, Mr. Young. It is all a political game.

Where did you get your statistics that "we have a smiling populace and very little crime...?" Maybe you should question the families of recent murder murder victims...and see how they feel about that... Did you perhaps mean that Ruidoso's crime rate is lower as its police officers commit their crimes in Ruidoso Downs? ... You show me statistics that show Ruidoso as having "very little crime." I won't promise to eat my words, but would guarantee that you can't produce said statistics.

Finally we arrive at the real issue: Mr. Sambrano. I hold most police officers in high regard. My son-in-law is a police officer and he is appalled that Mr. Sambrano was not fired on the spot. They are in a stressful job, but put their

al. Because of the terrain the present U.S. 70 route traverses, the expense would be enormous in comparison to choosing U.S. 54 as the "trade corridor." Instead of mountainous terrain, U.S. 54 crosses flat desert terrain from its junction with U.S. 70 at Alamogordo to its intersection with I-40.

It's amazing to me that the state, after all these years of never improving U.S. 54 from Alamogordo to the Texas state line, now suddenly feels a need for a trade corridor with Mexico. They never before believed a trade corridor with Texas, a sister state, was of any importance. That stretch of highway remains one of the most dangerous and heavily traveled two-lane highways in the state.

Debbi James
Ruidoso Downs

U.S. 70 'improvements'

To the editor:
When I first saw a news story recently about the so-called improvements to highway U.S. 70, it was being touted as a NAFTA-related "trade corridor" that would link the ports of entry on the Mexico/NM border with the state line on the Texas/NM side.

In recent articles appearing in the *Ruidoso News* I saw no references to the "trade corridor" as being the reason behind the proposed "improvements" to U.S. 70. If true, the logic behind making U.S. 70 a four-lane highway escapes me.

If true, the people of this area need to be informed of the actual acts behind the propos-

al. Because of the terrain the present U.S. 70 route traverses, the expense would be enormous in comparison to choosing U.S. 54 as the "trade corridor." Instead of mountainous terrain, U.S. 54 crosses flat desert terrain from its junction with U.S. 70 at Alamogordo to its intersection with I-40.

J. L. Schuller
Ruidoso

Journey a success

To the editor:
The cyclists and crew of the Journey of Hope cross country cycling team would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to the people of Carrizozo for helping make this year's journey a great success.

The 1999 team, with corporate sponsorships, raised over \$300,000 to Push America. In addition, we received local sponsorships from Carrizozo High School and the First Baptist Church...

Joey Dickerson
Charlotte, N. C.

GUEST COMMENTARY

When it rains, it pours mud and other problems

BY DICK WISNER
RUIDOSO RIVER ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT

Even as all of Ruidoso and half of West Texas rejoice in the annual arrival of the cooling monsoon season, Hank Shenk, project manager for Meadow Valley, is shaking his head in befuddlement.

"Are you God," he defiantly asked me ... "to know when it's going to rain?" as he and I together helplessly watched ton of mud from his job go directly into a live stream, a gross violation of state laws which were written to protect the health of rivers, particularly high-quality cold-water fisheries like the Rio Ruidoso, which we are desperately trying to save.

With a lack of planning and foresight that has become legendary in what seems like eternity since they arrived, Meadow Valley artisans have managed to build a sandcastle on the beach just before high tide. To save a few dollars in paving, they have exposed the long indefensible line of mud since Hitler invaded Russia.

Before a highway job is started, state law requires the

contractor to have what is called a "storm Water Pollution Protection Plan" in place, which not only anticipates where storm water is going to go in a storm event, but also spells out how the contractor is going to make sure that the runoff from his job doesn't destroy property or go into a live stream. Based on the fallout from minimal storms (for Ruidoso in July) on Friday and Saturday, it is obvious that Meadow Valley either does not have such a plan or that it doesn't work. If this is found to be the case, the state may pay fines of up to \$10,000 per day.

The drainage problems on lower Mechem are one example. Three weeks ago I personally showed Shenk the developing problem in front of Adobe Plaza. I told him that as a result of poor planning he had painted himself into a corner. A good rain, which I assured him was coming, would either flood the building or carry the mud from his job directly into the river. The silt fences...were cosmetic and feeble and promised to be ineffective. To add insult to injury,

they built a sandbag dam across the mud bowl north of Terrace and directed all of that runoff down to another drop inlet into the river which he didn't even try to protect with a silt fence.

Sure enough...rain, with nowhere else to go from the Red Salon to Adobe Plaza, picked up tons of mud, bypassed storm sewers that had been rendered inoperative, flooded the area in front of Adobe Plaza — which quickly

put the silt barrier under water rendering it inoperative — and discharged right into the river.

Hidden behind Hank Shenk's protestations that he can't control the weather and that he needed to protect property first is the fact that Meadow Valley has failed to anticipate a problem that every child in Ruidoso could see coming. Even worse, it deliberately built structures designed to direct mud-laden job runoff into a live stream.

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Straightened out extension cords line the floor as Cherie Holmes, executive assistant for the Chamber of Commerce, works out kinks in Thursday's set-up for the Art Festival at the Ruidoso Convention Center.

ART FEST: Months of planning goes into a successful art show

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the air-conditioning is adequate. The biggest hassle, Cordova said, is keeping the bathrooms cleaned and stocked every half hour to an hour.

Six of the convention center's staff will work over the weekend at different times, with at least two people on the job at all times.

"It's very exciting," Holmes said. "It has a level of stress, but it's a good level. It's nice to see everything come together."

Holmes said that over the 28 years of its existence, the Ruidoso Art Festival has refined itself.

Cordova said that the Art Festival is the Convention Center's second biggest event a year, as far as the number of people who attend. The first

one is the Golden Aspen Motorcycle Rally.

"It's probably the best show in the Southwest," Holmes said. "We have some well-known artists in it. It's a compliment to Ruidoso that they apply to the show."

Cordova said it is nice for him to see the artists that come back for several years.

"You build a friendship with some of them," he said.

Proceeds from the Art Festival, including sales from the Chamber's hamburger stand and the booth fees, cover 30 percent of the Chamber of Commerce's yearly operating expenses, Holmes said.

The Art Festival is open from noon to 6 p.m. today, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$3 per person.

Bake-off finalist shares a secret

BY SANDY SUGGITT
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Gerry Gassaway, a former finalist for the annual Pillsbury Bake-off, will be at Wal-Mart from 11 a.m. until noon Saturday to hand out entry forms for this year's event.

"In all the years since I was a finalist," said the seasonal Ruidoso resident, "I've never seen a New Mexico finalist."

As a finalist, Gassaway is sent information to promote the contest, including 300 entry blanks.

"Stores won't keep the entry blanks, so I'm going to hand them out myself," she said.

Gassaway lives in Plano, Texas from October through June and in Ruidoso the rest

of the time. She said it's worthwhile to enter the contest because \$1 million will go to the grand prize winner, and \$54,000 will go to 116 other winners. The 100 finalists win a trip to San Francisco, Calif. and \$100 in expense money, which Gassaway said she enjoyed. All she did to become a finalist was add a few ingredients to a box cake-mix, she said.

The four categories for entries this year are "Easy Weeknight Meals," "Yummy Vegetables," "Fast and Fabulous Desserts and Treats," and "Casual Snacks and Appetizers." Original recipes for those categories must use one or more of these products: Pillsbury, Hungry Jack, Green Giant, Progresso, Old El Paso.

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Police suspect house fires set by the same arsonist

BY SANDY SUGGITT
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Ruidoso Police believe two recent house fires on High Street are related arsons.

Someone broke into two houses and started fires in each, police report.

The Ruidoso Police Department was called to investigate an open door at 132 High Street, a vacant vacation home, at 8:05 p.m. July 19, and found evidence of a fire there. Two days earlier, the Ruidoso Fire Department put out a fire at

106 High Street and called police to investigate it for arson.

"The perpetrators used fire to damage the property in the residence (at 132 High Street)," said Det. Bob Layher, who was called in at 10 p.m. July 19 to gather evidence. The fire department was not called.

"Officers found the house broken into and damage to the interior of the house— paint dumped, furniture broken, glass broken, mirrors broken, fire damage to a coffee table in the living room and also using

a propane torch on the bedroom comforter," Layher said.

He also said there were signs that the perpetrator used a propane torch to burn a post on the deck and sprayed across the torch with spray cans to produce a blow-torch effect. "Significant amounts of evidence were collected," Layher said.

A few days earlier, on July 17, the Ruidoso Fire Department put out a structure fire at 106 High Street, a vacant rental building belonging to Gary Lynch.

Lisa Maue saw the flames from Lookout Tower and called the fire department at 11:50 a.m. July 17, according to Loretta Kirk of the fire department.

Firefighters put out the flames within five minutes and were able to leave the scene about 90 minutes later, she said.

Police Det. Doug Babcock was called in to investigate at 12:15 p.m.

"Somebody broke in through the back window with a concrete block and vandalized the contents (of the house)," Babcock said.

"The fire was set under the cabinet at the sink in the kitchen ... It was definitely set because there was nothing in that area that would start a fire," Babcock said. "People in the neighborhood need to be aware and report any suspicious activities."

RUIDOSO AGENDA

The Ruidoso Village Council will meet at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday for the following agenda items:

CONSENT REGULAR ITEMS:

- (approved in an umbrella vote)
 - Approval of a recommendation from the Lodger's Tax Committee to give \$1,500 for advertising Aspenfest '99.
 - Approval to add \$48,000 to Grindstone Graphics and Marketing Inc.'s contract of \$280,000 with the village for advertising and promoting the area. The additional money is a combined grant from the New Mexico Department of Tourism and the National Scenic Byway program.
 - Award a bid for the construction of a fire station in the Upper Canyon. The low bidder was J.R. Brown of Sapelo, N.M., with a bid of \$171,567.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- An ordinance amendment to change how the Ruidoso Planning and Zoning Commission approves conditional use permits, which are required for certain zoning applications, such as day care facilities in residential zones.
- Currently, a conditional use permit is denied unless approved by a 2/3 vote of the commission. Under the new wording, anything less than a 2/3 vote by the commission would result in an automatic denial.

An ordinance for the annexation of 4 acres of land off of U.S. Highway 70, the site of a proposed Motel 6.

REGULAR ITEMS:

- Consideration of a request for the vacation of village right-of-way at 105 A Aspen Circle in the Ponderosa Heights subdivision.
- Henry M. Fiol is asking the village to vacate an 18-foot wide stretch of frontage, a total of 1,736 square feet, for a construction project. Earlier this week, the Ruidoso Planning and Zoning Commission approved the vacation of a 5-foot stretch. The commission's action is passed on to the Ruidoso Village Council in the form of a recommendation.
- Consider approval of a final budget resolution for the 1998-1999 fiscal budget, effectively closing the budget that ended June 30.
- A review of the 1998-1999 budget's fourth quarter.
- Consider approval of the village's final 1999-2000 fiscal year budget. Village Finance Officer Lorri McKnight said a final number for the budget was not available Thursday, but that it would most likely be over the preliminary 1999-2000 budget. In May, the council approved a preliminary budget of about \$23 million.
- Consider adopting new policies regarding sewer line taps and when tap requirements may be waived.

CARRIZOZO CENTENNIAL EVENTS

- ★ Carrizozo Centennial Parade, 10 a.m. Saturday, July 31 on Birch Street. Entries call 648-2363 or 648-2983. For more information call Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce at 648-2732, the Visitor's Center-Caboose.
- ★ Carrizozo: Annual Santa Rita Fiesta, July 31 and August 1. Call 648-2853, Santa Rita Parish, for further information on planned events.
- ★ Grand Opening: Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce Visitor's Center-Caboose on Central Ave., Hwy. 54 S. Saturday, August 7 at 10 a.m. Call 648-2732.
- ★ Open House in Carrizozo: Saturday, August 14, 1 to 5 p.m. at the Lincoln County Historical Society Archives in the Masonic Building, 11th & E Avenue. Book signing at 5 p.m. for *Looking Back: A Photo History of Old Carrizozo* by Johnson Stearns and Ann Buffington. Call 648-2443 or 648-2732. Light refreshments by Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce.
- ★ Alumni Weekend for Carrizozo High School, August 20-22 for more information, call 648-2921.
- ★ Walking Tour(s) of Historic Carrizozo, Saturday a.m., August 21, beginning at the Woman's Club Building on 11th St. Call 648-2732 or 648-2857. Tour will visit the ice cream social on the lawn of the New Horizons Developmental Center, an historic building. The center is celebrating it's 20th Anniversary, 1979-1999. Call 648-2732 or 648-2376.
- ★ Carrizozo Centennial Street Fair: All day Saturday, August 28, Mc Donald Park between 12th St. & Hwy. 54 S.; Parade, Car Show, Vendors, Magician, Music. Call 648-2732 or 648-4247.

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Judge orders disclosure of suspect's competency exam

BY TONI K. LAXSON
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

A 1996 bank robbery suspect is competent to stand trial, and claims otherwise are "red herring" legal tactics by the Albuquerque man's defense attorney, a prosecutor said this week.

"This case has some urgency to me because it is just getting too old," Dist. Atty. Scot Key said this week about the charges against Alberto Rojas of Albuquerque.

"I think the defense is just hiding behind this red herring in order to not get this thing to trial. I believe a full and accurate hearing will be beneficial to us."

Rojas, 21, is accused of being one of two armed men who robbed the First Savings Bank at 2713 Sudderth Drive on Nov. 4, 1996. His attorney, Jacob Vigil of Albuquerque, says his client is incompetent to stand trial because of a previous head injury that left Rojas permanently at a 9-year-old mental and emotional age.

At a hearing in Carrizozo July 16, District Court Judge Karen Parsons ordered Vigil to

provide prosecutors with the information about the competency evaluations completed by the defense, Key said.

Vigil was not in his office this week and could not be reached for comment. Last week, he said the issue of the hearing was to determine whether or not Rojas is competent to stand trial. He said a motion regarding disclosure of information was a moot issue because the information requested was being released.

Key said his office has requested information from Vigil for months, and that the information was not provided before the judge's order Friday.

"Ever since he raised this issue of competency, we have been requesting that he give us information — from his psychologist, from whomever he is going to use. And it hasn't been forthcoming. We are very frustrated over it," Key said.

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fully competent ... He (Vigil) has actively been hiding this information from us."

Vigil last week said the state's own psychologist's evaluation of Rojas resulted in a finding that his client was incompetent to stand trial.

Scott Key, Dist. atty.

Key on Monday disputed Vigil's statements, saying the state has not yet hired a doctor to examine Rojas for competency. The psychologist Vigil referred to may have a contract with the state to provide examinations for judicial proceedings, but is not the state's psychologist, Key said.

"We certainly don't hire them. And we don't have any so say in who they hire, who is competent or who is a good doctor," he said.

He said the prosecution of the Rojas case, which is being handled by Assistant Dist. Atty. Canon Stevens, will be ready for a competency hearing on Rojas within 30 days.

"You can't have a full and accurate hearing on competen-

cy without both sides being able to see what each other's experts are saying so that you can rebut it," he said.

The other suspect in the case, Vicente Montes, pleaded no contest to the charges and was sentenced early last year to 10 years imprisonment.

Vigil has said doctors' evaluations of Rojas show him to be "a gentle and obedient child," incapable of committing an armed robbery. Rojas injured his head at age 15 after falling off a pickup truck.

In April 1998, Magistrate Judge William Butts ruled there was "overwhelming probable cause" that Rojas was involved in the bank robbery. His decision, following a seven-hour hearing, put the case into District Court, where Rojas is facing felony charges of armed robbery with a deadly weapon and conspiracy to commit a felony.

In the magistrate court hearing, the bank manager at the time of the robbery, Eddy Gibson, said he saw Rojas's face before the man pulled down a ski mask, walked into his office, aimed an automatic pistol at his head and threatened his life.

IN BRIEF

Ruidoso Downs council meeting postponed

The Ruidoso Downs Village Council regular meeting Monday is rescheduled for 5:30 p.m. Monday, July 30, Village Clerk Leann Weibrecht said.

The regular council meeting was rescheduled because a quorum of village trustees would not be able to attend on Monday, Weibrecht said.

Hispanic organization to be organized

Anyone interested in joining an organization that will address the needs of Hispanics in Lincoln County is invited to attend the first organizational meeting. The meeting will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the meeting room at Eastern New Mexico University Ruidoso Instructional Center. The gathering will assess the needs and interests of community members. For more information,

call Leo Martinez at 378-4033, or Dr. Cynthia E. Orozco at 258-2212.

Vacation Bible school starts Monday

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Drivers beware - muddy waters ahead

BY TONI K. LAXSON
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Astonishment filled the faces of three people in a mid-sized car Thursday after they suddenly plowed into water higher than their tires.

"A lot of people have had the experience of meeting it head on without expecting it," said Nancy Bankston, who from her business, Wanda's Cafe, has a front row seat to the pool of water that collects on U.S. Highway 70 with every rain.

"It can go from zero empty to 1 or 2 feet of rushing water in 10-15 minutes," said Bankston. "It's like a flash flood in your own front yard."

Pooling water in roadways has been a problem in the past week as heavy summer monsoons pour down on road construction both on the highway and Mechem Drive.

At the Adobe Plaza, on

Mechem Drive just north of Sudderth Drive, rain runoff flooded the restaurant there for the first time since the 1960s, owner Mary Robertson said.

"We had to go around and ask people to pick up their purses or anything that was on the floor because water was coming," said Robertson, owner of the Deck House. "The storm drain is still not fixed. If we have another shower, it will happen again."

Ernest Sanchez, who oversees the Mechem road construction work for the New Mexico Department of Highways and Transportation, said, "It's a problem that is going to continue to exist until we complete the new road and get all the inlets completed. We are in a mountainous area and everything drains downhill to the low points."

Dick Wisner, president of the Ruidoso River Association, said he's frustrated with the situation. Saturday, two inches of

water entered his offices, also located at the Adobe Plaza. Crews with the road contractor, Meadow Valley Contractors Inc., removed silt fences (erected to catch silt from runoff) on the other side of Mechem Drive to allow the accumulated water to drain into the Brady Creek.

For Wisner, this is not a solution to the drainage problem. The water carries silt and mud into the creek, which in turn carries it into the Rio Ruidoso. When water becomes too muddy, fish in the river suffocate.

"They have a catch-22 down there, because they either have to let it go in the building or down the river," said Wisner, who said drainage of unfiltered rain water into the creek is a violation of environmental laws.

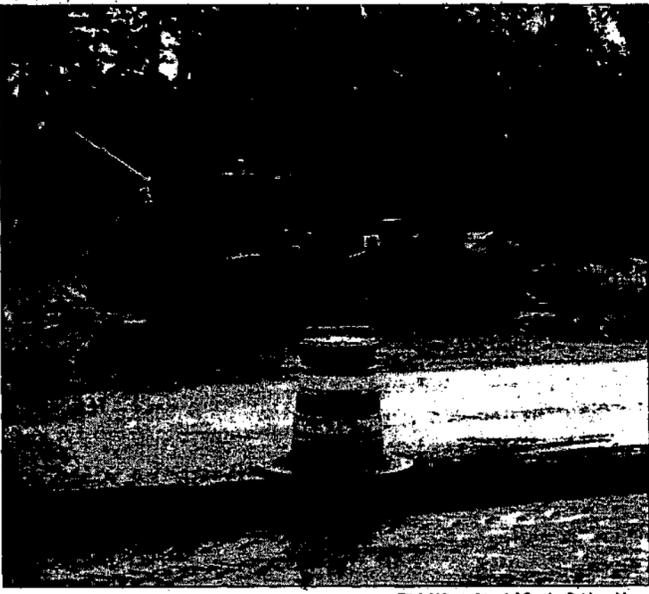
He is not advocating property damage in favor of protecting fish, Wisner said. "But we should not be at the point where we are having to decide that," he said.

Hank Schenk, Meadow Valley project manager for Mechem Drive work, could not be reached for comment Thursday about the drainage problem. A staff member said Schenk was out of the office monitoring the effect of a hard rain that afternoon.

Wisner said he brought the potential problem to the attention of a road construction official six weeks ago. On Wednesday, Wisner met with state highway officials about the situation that had manifested.

Sanchez said the state highway department is trying to work with Wisner, as well as the contractor, business owners and the people of Ruidoso in general.

"We are in a tough situation of trying to make everybody happy," Sanchez said. "There have been some errors made, as errors are made all the time. That does not mean that they are blatant."



Ruidoso River Association President Dick Wisner says Meadow Valley crews violated environmental laws when they scraped and dumped mud from the front of Adobe Plaza onto the bank of Brady Creek, which runs into the Rio Ruidoso.



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On deck

Skills and Drills Baseball Camp, July 31 and Aug. 1
A father/son two-day baseball clinic, for children 7 to 17, and hosted by Dr. Bragg Stockton is set for July 31 and Aug. 1 at the Gavilan Canyon youth baseball diamond. The clinic will cover hitting, batting, pitching and defensive skills such as fielding and throwing. Several sessions are offered for \$15 per player. Cost for all sessions is \$79. Players need to bring their own bat, glove and drinking water. Parents are allowed to attend with their child free of charge.

British Soccer Camp, Aug. 9-13
The Lincoln County Youth Soccer League will host the British Soccer Camp, Aug. 9-13. Cost is \$79. Call John for more information at 257-7830.

High Altitude Classic bicycle race, Aug. 14-15
Race No. 5 of the New Mexico Off Road Series is the High Altitude Classic set for Aug. 14 and 15 in Cloudcroft. Saturday's cross country race begins at 10 a.m. Lap length is nine miles. Sunday's downhill race begins at 10 a.m. For more information and registration forms, call 505-682-1229.

Fishing report

For fly fishing -
RIO RUIDOSO: Check out the larger pockets of hatching waters. The best patterns are pheasant tails, green rock worms and pink nymphs. Late afternoons until dusk are producing scattered dry fly action along the vegetation lines of the riverbanks. The best dries have been parachute adams, blue wing olives and hendricksons. Upper Canyon on the reservation has been fishing well, along with the scenic hills.

BONITO CREEK: Above the lake, scattered catches of rainbows have been steady for the hard-core fisherman. Take your camera and watch for great nature shows along the waterway. The water flow below Bonito is virtually non-existent and unfishable. Above Bonito on the South Fork, fishing has been good with numerous small native fish.

BONITO LAKE: Water level is good with reports of early and late fishing good on dry flies. Best reported patterns are blue wing olives, hendricksons and light cahills. The spin caster will do well with bubble rig and a propeller fly tied on the business end.

GRINDSTONE LAKE: Late evening fishing will produce the best fishing here. Take advantage of midge and damsel fly hatches.

LAKE MESCALERO: The lake level is good. Shoreline and boat fishing have been producing nice fish in the evening hours. Dry flies that have been working are parachute adams, hendricksons, mosquitoes and midges.

EAGLE LAKES: The fishing has been steady but very spotty. Propeller flies behind a bubble will do well for the spin casters. It's hard to beat a parachute adams or a blue wing olive during the last hour of the day.

For bait fishing -
RIO RUIDOSO: Hopefully they'll start stocking that with the improved water levels.

ALTO LAKE: Unfishable. No stocking planned in the near future.

GRINDSTONE RESERVOIR: Slowed down during the days. Evenings are better with pistol pats and rainbow powerbait.

BONITO LAKE: Slowed down during the days. Evenings are better with pistol pats and rainbow powerbait.

EAGLE LAKES: No report.

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A disappointed Cody Huffman returns to the dugout.

Kody Taylor
Ruidoso News

Little league Big action

Noon Optimists outslug Ruidoso's all-stars

BY LAURA CLYMER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

It took just one swing of the bat to ground a high-flying Ruidoso all-star team Tuesday at the Gavilan Canyon field.

Facing the Noon Optimist club in a second-round loser's bracket game of the District 2 Majors Tournament, the Ruidoso squad fell victim to the long ball, including one by the Noon Optimist's leadoff hitter.

The game opened with a homer by the Optimists and that served to demoralize the Ruidosians, said coach Dave Tetreault.

Even though Ruidoso countered with a run of its own to tie up the game in its half of the first, the home team couldn't muster up any more.

Noon Optimist took a 3-1 lead into fourth inning when it broke open the game with three runs.

"We just didn't hit," said Tetreault, whose team pulled off a mild upset the night before over Alamogordo, 7-5, in extra innings.

Overall, Tetreault said the team played "great."

The Ruidoso all-stars finished the tournament with a

2-2 record. The team opened the week-long tournament with a 13-1 win over Lincoln County neighbor Capitán, July 16.

Ruidoso then lost to Valley, 8-5, Saturday, sending it to the loser's bracket.

The locals then defeated Alamo when Jake Tetreault knocked in Jerry Balderama in the seventh inning for the win.

Strong pitching from Balderama, who went 5 1/3 innings to pick up the win, and teammate Steven Chávez, who collected the save, paced the Ruidoso team.

Tetreault also credited the win to strong defense. In the last of the sixth, Alamogordo had the bases loaded, but couldn't push across what would have been the tiebreaker.

Despite afternoon monsoons throughout the tournament, play has continued uninterrupted for the most part, Tetreault said.

"We used quick dry and a bunch of cat litter," said Tetreault, explaining what



Ruidoso pitcher Justin Sargeant sends another delivery to the plate.

Kody Taylor/Ruidoso News



Ruidoso's Jerry Balderama can't get a glove on a throw to first.

Kody Taylor/Ruidoso News

grounds crews spread to keep the diamond playable.

Ruidoso Little League President and tournament director Dina Adaza said her crews used nine bags of quick dry and 14 of litter.

Plus, the Ruidosians received some help from Artesia coaches Wade Smith, Andy

Davis and Steve Cochran who arranged for large plastic sheets to cover the dirt portions of the infield during the downpours.

The Artesia contingency got the plastic sheets from an Artesia company that donated them.

The New Mexico District 2

Major Tournament continues today with a 7 p.m. semifinal loser's bracket game between Artesia and the winner of East Side and Noon Optimist. The East Side/Noon Optimist was to be played Wednesday, but rains washed out the game.

Adaza said she moved the entire tournament back a day to accommodate the rained out contest.

That means today's winner at 7 p.m. will meet undefeated Lions Hondo at 7 p.m. Saturday for the championship.

Because it's a double elimination tournament, should Lions Hondo lose Saturday, the "if" game championship is slated for Sunday. That game Sunday is set for 7

p.m., but Adaza would like to move it up to 3 p.m., if possible.

"The tournament has been going wonderful," Adaza said. "The crowds have been wonderful and so are residents (who live near the field)."

The kids are just having a ball out there."

Racing season on track with Rimbo's expectations

BY LAURA CLYMER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

At the halfway mark of the 1999 Ruidoso Downs race meet, track and casino president Bruce Rimbo's "horse" is running right about where he expected - ahead of last year in attendance and betting handle.

With the 34th day of racing in a 62-day meet in the books, Rimbo and racetrack general manager Rick Baugh reported an increase of 11 percent in attendance at the track. So far, 85,000 race fans have turned the stile, compared to last year when 76,000 had passed through the gates at this point.

Betting handle is up as well, however, its jump is more of a hop. Total handle through Thursday is \$9.7 million as compared to \$9.6 million last year.

"That tells us we have more people but they are not betting quite as much last year," Rimbo said. "That's because they're betting a lot of it in the casino."

But Rimbo points out that the track has increased its payout to purses from \$745,000 to \$1.24 million.

"It's just made a huge difference for the horsemen," Rimbo said.

It's also made a huge difference for Baugh, who says he has a better product to sell for



Rudy Ramirez of Ruidoso Downs owns and trains the second-fastest qualifier of Sunday's Rainbow Futurity, Summon The Hero.

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simulcasting.

Simulcast handle has leapt from \$706,000 in 1998 to \$1.6 million this year.

"The quality of our races have held. Our full fields have held," Baugh said. "It's so much easier to sell a signal with full

fields."

All this news comes on the eve of the second jewel of quarter horse racing's Triple Crown, Sunday's Rainbow Futurity.

The \$525,587 Futurity and the \$177,105 Rainbow Derby, highlight racing this weekend.

Owner and trainer Rudy Ramirez has the second-fastest horse in Sunday's Futurity final, Summon The Hero. Ramirez, who summers in Ruidoso Downs but makes Canyon, Texas his permanent home, said his horse will need

"a good, clean break and lots of luck."

"He's been training real good. He came out the race real good," Ramirez said of his charge.

Ramirez said the field will have to outrun fastest qualifier Significant Speed, who scorched the 400-yard distance in the trials with time of a 19.889 seconds. Summon The Hero was three-tenths back.

Not many of the finalists have much experience running on a sloppy track, and that could come into play Sunday. Rain has fell nearly every day this week.

Despite the monsoon rains, Ramirez said the racetrack holds the water well.

"It seems like more water we get the better it is," said Ramirez who won the 1996 Rainbow Futurity with Swingin Val. "Of course we'd all like a dry track."

Rainbow Futurity field:

- Significant Speed. Qualifying time: 19.889.
- Summon The Hero. Qualifying time: 20.203.
- Tiny First Down. Qualifying time: 20.209.
- Snappy Dragon. Qualifying time: 20.276.
- Magic Memo. Qualifying time: 20.300.
- Lady Miraculous. Qualifying time: 20.320.
- A Delightful Dasher. Qualifying time: 20.322.
- Key to Romance. Qualifying time: 20.330.
- Tricky Rogue. Qualifying time: 20.356.
- BH Boogie. Qualifying time: 20.384.

ANNIVERSARY ANNOUNCEMENTS

H.P. and Frieda Hale

H.P. and Frieda Hale will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary Saturday in a private family gathering at their Ruidoso home.

The couple were married July 24, 1949, in the Tabernacle Baptist Church in Roswell. Both are lifelong residents of the Roswell and Ruidoso areas. They were born in Roswell, and currently are retired and living in Ruidoso where they are members of the First Baptist Church of Ruidoso.

The Hales owned and operated the Hale Trucking Company for 43 years.



Frieda and H.P. Hale

The couple have two children, Charlie and his wife, Sandy, of Springfield, Mo., and Rita and her husband, Rob, of Mesa, Ariz. They have five grandchildren.

WEDDINGS ENGAGEMENTS



Bronwyn Barnett and Preston Parsons

Barnett and Parsons

Bronwyn Barnett and Preston Parsons both of Ruidoso will marry at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, August 7, at Meig's Meadow in San Patricio with a reception following.

The bride is the daughter of Tay and Kathy Barnett of Ruidoso.

The groom is the son of Carl and Renee Parsons of El Paso, Texas, formerly of Ruidoso.

The couple are moving to Levelland, Texas, to finish school at South Plains College and Texas Tech University.



Eddie Sapien and Michelle Dominguez

Dominguez and Sapien

Michelle Dominguez of

Ruidoso and Eddie Sapien of Carlsbad will marry at 2 p.m. Saturday, August 28, at St. Edwards Catholic Church in Carlsbad.

The bride is the daughter of Robert Dominguez of Capitani and Mary Dominguez of Ruidoso Downs.

The groom is the son of Eddie Sapien Sr. of Carlsbad and the late Yolanda Sapien.

Dominguez, a 1996 graduate of Ruidoso High School, is employed as a photographer at BOA Studios. Sapien is an assistant manager for Walgreens.

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Army Pvt. Randy S. Hutchison

Capitan grad enters Army basic training

Army Pvt. Randy S. Hutchison is at Fort Knox, Ky., to complete basic training.

Hutchison is the son of Lynn C. Hutchison of Capitan and John R. Hutchison of Broken Bow, Okla.

Randy Hutchison is a 1997 graduate of Capitan High School. His wife, Kristin, is the daughter of Rodney Acker of Ruidoso.

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4 Houses for Sale

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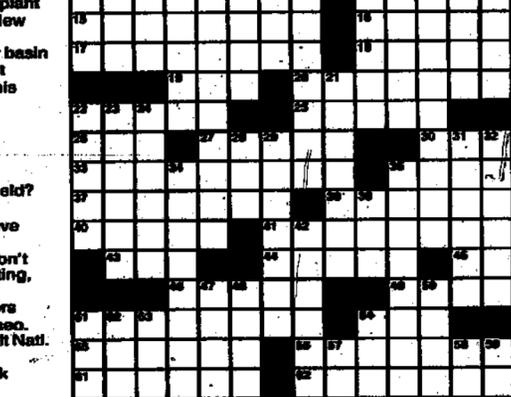
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned personal representatives at 3600 Robbie Jo, Alvarado, Texas, 76009 and David Kendrix Hutson at 511 N. W. 2nd Street, Dimmitt, Texas, 79027 or to the attorney for the personal representative, Charles E. Hawthorne at 1096 Mechem Drive, Suite 302, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345, or filed with the District Court of Lincoln County.

Dated: April 22, 1999.
 /s/David Kendrix Hutson
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LEGAL NOTICE

TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO No. CV 99-67 CONTIMORTGAGE CORPORATION, Plaintiff, vs. TIM ROCHFORD and RENEE K. ROCHFORD, husband and wife, and THE PADDOCK PARTNERS, and ALPINE VILLAGE SANITATION DISTRICT, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF SUIT STATE OF NEW MEXICO to the above-named Defendant(s), GREETINGS: You are hereby notified that the above-named Plaintiff has filed a civil action against you in the above-entitled Court and cause, the general object thereof being to foreclose a mortgage on property located at 119 Big Bear Road, in the City of Ruidoso, County of Lincoln, New Mexico, more particularly described in the Complaint in said cause. That unless you enter your appearance in said cause on or before August 25, 1999, judgment by default will be entered against you. Name and address of Plaintiff's attorney: Gaer & Little, P.A., Post Office Box 25685, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87125. WITNESS the Honorable KAREN L. PARSONS, District Judge of the Twelfth Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico, and the

Seal of the District Court of Lincoln County, this 2nd day of July, 1999
 ALICE BACA BAXTER
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 By: /s/Elizabeth Lueras
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LEGAL NOTICE

Lincoln County Medical Center COMMUNITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING will meet on Monday, July 26, 1999 At 6:00 p.m., in the Hospital Conference Room. The Agenda will be available at the Administrator's Office on Friday, July 23, 1999 1973 2T(7)16,23

LEGAL NOTICE

CALL FOR BIDS The Ruidoso Board of Education wishes to receive bids for Paving at Ruidoso Middle School. Specifications can be obtained at the Ruidoso Municipal Schools Administration Office, 200 Horton Circle, Ruidoso, NM (phone number 505-257-4051). Bids must be received in the office of the Superintendent on or before July 30, 1999, at 10:00 a.m. Bids will be opened and read aloud on July 30, 1999, at 12:00 noon at the Administration Office, 200 Horton Circle, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345. Bids must be sealed and marked "BID FOR PAVING". The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids and waive all technicalities. /s/Mike Gladden Superintendent Ruidoso Municipal Schools 2283 3T(7)21,23,28

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Danny Pounds, tired of the flatland and dust of his native Texas, packed up his boot and shoe repair tools and came west to Lincoln County.



Here's where some blow-sand haters from West Texas have found contentment in Capitan...following their dream.

Marty Racine

It's never too late to follow a dream

How a couple from Lubbock and Slaton finally cut loose and left the dust behind, as so many others have done as they sought their own version of paradise in Lincoln County.

BY MARTY RACINE
RUIDOSO NEWS
CORRESPONDENT

A man follows his dreams to the mountains, searching for a sense of place.

For years Danny Pounds, a boot and shoe repairman in Lubbock, had wanted to move to Lincoln County. Perhaps he began dreaming the day when, at 13 years of age, he first came to Ruidoso Downs with his daddy and watched the cowboys rope in the middle of the racetrack, where rodeos were once held.

The dream continued when Danny and his wife, Deenie, took annual vacations in the mountains, scouting for acreage.

The dream came true a couple years ago back in Lubbock, where they had lived for more than 30 years. Danny had never really liked the town, though Deenie didn't care much either way. But she was beginning to dream, too, and besides, the kids were all grown out of the house and the flat, dusty plains were getting to them. There was a day, Deenie says, a day of reckoning.

"We just sat and looked at each other. We figured we could (continue to) gripe about the weather, gripe about the sand. You can either do something about it, or you can just keep griping."

They did something about it. This week Danny and Deenie Pounds opened D&D Traders in Capitan.

Danny was born 64 years ago in Bovina, which has more cattle than humans and is just east enough of Clovis to be located in Texas. Situated on the Frio Draw, it used to be called Bull Town, he says, until residents deemed the appellation vulgar.

He grew up on a ranch and rode a horse three miles to school. Grade school had two rooms and 15 pupils, and of course there was one mean kid.

"That's where I learned to fight," he says.

While in high school Danny drove trucks for his daddy. "We hauled anything that he could get on 'em. Everything from cattle to gravel. If we woulda had a water tank we woulda hauled water."

Deenie was raised in Portales, and the two met on the Fourth of July at Fort Sumner, where Danny was riding saddle broncs in the rodeo.

"I saw him, then found out my cousin was going with his best friend. Both of them were over there, I mean, having a time over there in Fort Sumner. So I said why don't you introduce me to his friend?"

They eventually got together, but not until Danny had tried to date Deenie's sister, to no avail.

"She said I was always too drunk." After a five-month courtship, Danny and Deenie were married in a little church in Portales in 1956.

Danny went into commercial construction and from 1957-59 the couple lived in Houston, where Deenie had a brother-in-law. The bayou city, then as now, was enjoying a construction boom.

"Took (him) an hour to get to work, (he'd) work 10 hours, drove an hour to get back, worked on Saturdays sometimes," Deenie says. "We came back, he was skin and bones."

Portales was a fine town but not suitable to a man from the plains trying to clear the dust from his eyes. "I didn't like the sand over there, either."

In Lubbock, however, there were jobs. Danny worked on the Civic Center and Methodist Hospital, among other projects, while Deenie was employed by Texas Instruments. But the dream kept calling: "(Boot and shoe repair) always fascinated me," he says. "Had an uncle that was in the business. Old buddy of mine, I guess I was cryin' on his shoulder one afternoon, missed a pretty good-sized (construction) job, he said, Danny, 'You ever thought about going into the shoe repair business?' And that lit the fire."

He set up shop nearly 16 years ago and over time bought and sold several shops in Lubbock and nearby Slaton. Deenie, too, lived her dream, running a consignment shop in Slaton: "I had more fun."

The notion to leave was fraught with difficulty. Two of the Pounds' three children lived in the region. "That was the hardest part, gettin' up and leaving your grandkids," Deenie says. "If they get up and move away from you that's different, but-if you get up and move away from them it's tough."

To Danny the decision was easy. "When the sand blows so damn hard that you can see a prairie dog 10 foot up in the air trying to dig a hole, it's time to leave."

They bought 7 1/2 acres on Highway 380 in Capitan, put in a trailer and built a horse corral. For their shop they looked at several buildings and learned that a Western-style structure on Smokey Bear Boulevard might be available. They contacted the owner, Jerrold Morales, who owns Chango's restaurant.

"You contacted me just at the right time," Flores told them. He and his partner had been considering a barbecue place at the location.



Marty Racine

Danny and Deenie are trying Capitan, but haven't made a longtime commitment quite yet.

The building, recently rented by Escudilla Log Works, once housed the Rusty Anchor bar. The bar's original cooler still stands inside.

Former bartender Ben Leslie, 77, remembers when the Anchor was yet another saloon, with a dance hall in back.

"They had a place back here where there was a skating rink. And these drunks would get on skates. I had a boil on the back of my neck. I was supposed to go to Fort Stanton to get it lanced the next morning. And a drunk fell on me and hit it, and he lanced it for me. I didn't have to go to Fort Stanton."

D&D Traders - "We mend the rips and patch the holes, build up the heels and save your soles" - will also sell tack, saddles, antiques and ladies dresses. After September, Danny says, he will also be set up to make

boots.

"Yessir, I'll even make you a saddle, anything but a broken heart, I don't try that."

He's not overly concerned about business plans. Some dreams don't require much research. "No," he says, "if there were three boot shops here and in a year there'd be one or two, I knew I was gonna be one of 'em. We're good at what we do, I don't mind tellin' you. Anybody can make boots, it takes a boot-maker to make 'em fit."

They plan to work at least three and a half years, until Deenie is 65.

"That's what we planned for," he says. "We may make another million between now and then. They say the way to be a millionaire whenever you leave Capitan is, come here as a millionaire and you can leave here as a millionaire."

Branch of Alamogordo firm in fast start

New furniture store wild about Ruidoso

• While the name may sound familiar, the furniture store that opened recently in the Plaza Center is new to Ruidoso.

BY TONI K. LAXSON
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Arty Conditto of Alamogordo used to sell cars, but switched to furniture about four years ago in part because of his own frustrations with buying furniture.

The Alamogordo businessman's furniture store has done so well, he has expanded it three times — twice by increasing the size of the Alamogordo store and most recently by opening a Ruidoso branch.

Conditto and his wife, Sara, opened the Wild, Wild West Furniture store last month in the Plaza Center, 1709 Sudderth Drive, in the former location of M. Waldrop Furniture. The couple's son, Josh Conditto, manages the store.

While the business's name may sound like that of previous furniture store in the area, it's a different company with different owners, Conditto

said. The name comes from Conditto's furniture store in Alamogordo.

Their decision to open a store in Ruidoso was based on sales at the Alamogordo store. Conditto said about a third of the store's customers were people from the Ruidoso area.

"They told us, 'What you need to do is open up a store here — but leave your prices the same,'" Conditto said.

So that's what the couple did. The store, with about 7,000 square feet of floor space, sells a full range of furniture, including bedroom sets, dining room sets, living room sets, mattresses, futons and sleeper sofas.

The store is holding its grand opening celebration, during which discounts are being offered. The grand opening event ends Aug. 31, he said.

Conditto said he and his wife

at first were resistant to the idea of expanding to a branch store in Ruidoso.

"We really didn't want to because what we do is keep a minimal staff and everything is family owned and run," he said. "They (customers) wanted us to go up there, but we really didn't have the time ... We never meant to be as big as we are."

Conditto said his store's success is based on offering quality furniture at reasonable prices. His store also

► New business

• What: Wild, Wild West Furniture

• Who: Arty, Sara and Josh Conditto

• Where: 1709 Sudderth Drive in the Plaza Center

• When: 11 a.m. - 6 p.m., Monday-Saturday; closed Sunday



Josh Conditto, who manages the new Wild, Wild West Furniture for his parents Arty and Sara Conditto, shows off his new store.

sells some top line designer furniture, such as Schnadig designs, he said.

Despite the store's name, contemporary as well as southwestern styled furniture is offered. Conditto said they pride themselves on finding and offering unusual items, too.

"We really knock ourselves out trying to find pieces that nobody else has," he said.

Customers may also receive discounts based on the amount of furni-

ture being purchased, Conditto said. "We are very aggressive that way," he said.

The Ruidoso branch already is proving as successful as the Alamogordo shop, he said, adding that the branch store did \$25,000 to \$30,000 in business from its opening in early June through July 15.

"We are hoping that it levels out to \$40,000 to \$60,000 a month," he said.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Data Check expanding

Ron and Lisa Storey, owners of Data Check, have opened a new company called RLM & Associates in association with Mark Crown. While Data Check provides collection services on bad checks, the new company will specialize in accounts receivable collections for businesses, Ron Storey said.

The new business will be located at Data Check offices in Lincoln Tower on Mechem Drive. On Aug. 1, both businesses are moving to a new location at 2904 Sudderth Drive. The businesses can be reached at 258-3386.

Real estate company changes partnership

Gregg Perteet, son of Tommy Perteet and part-owner of Ruidoso Properties Inc./Better Homes and Gardens for many years, has sold his interest in the business. He will continue to sell property as an associate broker for the firm, according to a release from the company.

Van Patton and Scott Roser have taken the reins of the business with Roser as the qualifying broker.

"We are looking forward to the challenge of the year 2000 with increased listings and sales," Patton said. "The associates and owners are committed to the best of customer service."

Better Homes and Gardens Real Estate is an international network of residential real estate companies. Formed in 1978 as an extension of "Better Homes and Gardens" magazine, the network is an operation division of GMAC Home Services with more than 1,400 offices and more than 23,000 licensed sales professionals.

For more information on the local business, check out the Internet site at zianet.com/ruibhg, and bhgrealestate.com for information about the network.

Consumer complaints

Consumer complaints to the U.S. Federal Trade Commission may now be lodged through toll-free telephone numbers, according to a release from the agency.

People may report fraud to the law enforcement agency by calling 1(877) FTC-HELP or

1(877) 382-4357. The hotline is staffed by counselors 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, Monday through Friday.

Jodie Bernstein, director of the FTC's Bureau of Consumer Protection, said the toll-free number offers consumers two services. It makes the agency more accessible to consumers who want to report a fraud, and it makes their valuable complaint data available to law enforcement agencies in the U.S. and Canada.

"That's important because fraud has moved beyond the front porch to cyberspace and all points in between," Bernstein said.

Consumers may also report complaints at the Internet site, www.ftc.gov or write the FTC at Consumer Response Center, Washington D.C. 20580-0001.

Cultural tourism meeting coming up

Cultural tourism will be the focus of a regional meeting Aug. 31 in Roswell sponsored by the New Mexico Department of Tourism, the Office of Cultural Affairs and the Department of Economic Development, according to a release.

The Roswell meeting is to include people interested in the topic from Chavez, Curry, De Baca, Eddy, Lea, Lincoln, Otero and Roosevelt counties.

The meeting is set for 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Aug. 31 in the Roswell Convention and Civic Center at 912 N. Main St., Roswell. To be included in a lunch at the meeting, participants should call Elmo Baca at (505) 827-0200 at least 10 days before the meeting.

Economic development officials tour state

Members of the New Mexico Economic Development Department's community development team are working with regions to provide support.

Liaisons are assigned to specific areas of the state. The liaison for Lincoln County is Rosemary Thompson (phone 505-827-5650). She has worked with communities all over New Mexico. She will be the department representative for communities that need specific assistance with a project.

Motel 6 parking variance OK'd

Members of Ruidoso's Planning and Zoning Commission this week granted a variance request to the developer of a Motel 6 off of U.S. Highway 70. Instead of the required 10 handicapped parking spaces, the developer will have to put in six.

Ron Hyden, one of two owners of the planned hotel, asked the commission Tuesday for the variance. He told planning staff that two handicapped parking spaces take about the same width as three standard spaces.

"From our experience (as hotel developers and operators), we have found that four is more than satisfactory," Hyden said of the number of handicapped parking spaces at a hotel.

Construction is to start in mid-August on the multi-million dollar hotel, with 83 rooms. Hyden earlier has said the hotel will be built in

the Motel 6 Year 2000 prototype, which incorporates a glass lattice front and a futuristic design.

In other business, the commission approved a request from Henry M. Fiol for the vacation of village right-of-way in the Ponderosa Heights subdivision off of Aspen Circle for the construction of a deck. The request will go before the Ruidoso Village Council Tuesday for final approval, with the commission's vote acting as a recommendation to councilors.

Instead of granting an 18-foot-wide vacation of right-of-way as requested, the commission approved a vacation of right-of-way 5-feet wide. Under the conditions of approval, Fiol would pay the village 80 cents per square foot vacated.

► MARKET GLANCE

What will happen when the world wakes up?

BY SUN WON SOHN
CHIEF ECONOMIST, WELLS FARGO

Optimism about the global economy has been squarely reflected in the run up of most equity markets since the start of the year.

Output growth has only begun to notch up, and it has been piecemeal — a nation here and there reporting strong first quarter numbers. But the stage is set for better world growth in 1999 than in 1998, and better still in 2000.

Short-term interest rates have been lowered around the globe. Capital is returning to emerging markets. Destocking has run its course. Export machines are gearing up. Asia will grow much faster this year; Latin America and Europe will pick up next year. Things are moving faster than expected even a few months ago.

The outlook for continued benign inflation and hence stable interest rates is predicated on a gradual world recovery. But the end of the decade is looking more and more like its start, when the global economy recovered to a trot for two years only to break into a gallop

thereafter. Underlying commodity prices stayed under control at first, but rose sharply once global growth surpassed three percent.

For growth in the world to remain moderate next year, two nations have to behave according to forecast — the United States and Japan. If U.S. growth does not slow down and if Japan permanently kicks into gear, demand will begin to outstrip capacity, raising prices. Both could easily happen given each nation's worst tendencies. American consumers may need more than a perfunctory interest rate bump to slow their appetites.

Japanese politicians may decide to combat rising unemployment and its associated social ills with more public spending.

For the rest of 1999, inflation looks dormant. Only a few commodities have risen in price; many have fallen. The surges in energy and copper prices are the result of constraints to supply, not rampant demand. Pipeline pressures will take time to fester and even longer for them to filter

Census Bureau always working

U. S. Census Bureau data show that the unemployment rate in the United States, in July 1998, was 4.5 percent. And 94.1 percent of households across the country had a telephone in their home.

This week (starting July 18, 1999), information such as this being collected as part of the Current Population Survey (CPS), the largest and longest-running household survey conducted by the Commerce Department's Census Bureau for the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Nearly 2,000 Census Bureau field representatives are conducting the CPS.

"Labor force data collected each month in the CPS is one of the most important measures of the country's economic condition," Susan A. Lavin, director of the Census Bureau's Denver regional office, said.

The CPS is the country's primary source of information on labor force characteristics. The survey will collect data on

the number of people currently working full- or part-time, the number currently unemployed and their earnings.

As one of the primary sources of data on demographic and socioeconomic trends between decennial censuses, the CPS periodically collects data on other topics as well. For example, at the request of the Federal Communications Commission, the July survey will gather information on household telephone access.

Interviewers collect information from about 48,000 households once a month.

By law, the Census Bureau keeps all identifying information about survey respondents and their households strictly confidential. Some households will be interviewed by telephone, others in person by field representatives who carry an official identification card bearing their photograph and signature.

into wage hikes. Companies can keep substituting capital for labor.

But problems mount when most of the world starts to surpass even a moderate United States, perhaps as soon as next year. Excess capacity will tighten, leading to a broad rise in commodity prices. This did not translate into overall inflation acceleration in 1994 because labor markets then were loose; now they are tight.

Investors will move even more funds overseas as earnings there improve, bringing down a dollar that rose on world weakness. A vicious circle of more dollar declines will occur if investors bet against the currency. This in turn will raise import prices and boost exports, both fueling inflation even more.

Interest rates, soon or late?

Long-term interest rates move in concert with industrial commodity prices since both credit and raw goods are in greater demand as the economy grows. But U.S. interest rates have moved up faster than prices since late last year,

reflecting an unwinding of flight to quality and a renewal of mild inflationary (as opposed to deflationary) expectations. Thus, in the short run, a resumption of commodity price growth may not translate directly into higher interest rates.

Bond markets have gotten ahead of the real economy and will now wait for confirmed evidence before yields renew their upward path.

Bonds will also take their cue from the Federal Reserve. Now that inflation expectations are at a desired level and the global crisis is past, the FOMC has set short-term rates at a level fully consistent with consensus predictions of growth plus inflation. The key for the rest of the year is that the economy slows and inflation stays where it is.

A faster growing world doesn't really begin to raise rates through the inflation channel until next year at the earliest. But if domestic predictions for growth or inflation prove false, they could rise sooner.

CHURCHES

ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Apache Indian Assembly of God
Mescalero, 671-4747. Donald
Petroy, pastor. Sunday School: 9:45
a.m.; Sunday worship: 10:45 a.m.
7 p.m.; Wednesday services: 7 p.m.

BAPTIST

First Baptist Church
Carrizozo. Hayden Smith, Pastor.
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.; Sunday
worship: 11 a.m., 7:15 p.m.; Church
training: 6:30 p.m. Sunday
420 Mechem Drive, Ruidoso, NM
88345. (505) 257-2081. Tim Gilliland,
Pastor. Sunday: 8:30 a.m. - Contem-
porary Praise and Worship Service;
9:15 a.m. - Continental Breakfast;
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School/Bible Study;
11 a.m. - Worship Service;
6 p.m. - Prayer/Worship Service, and
St. High School Fellowship. Monday:
Noon - Ladies' Bible Study and Fel-
lowship. Tuesday: 6 p.m. - St. High
School Bible Study and Fellowship.
Wednesday: 6:30 p.m. - K-5th OWTI.
Th. High School Fellowship and Bible
Study, and Adult Bible Study and
Prayer.

First Baptist Church
Ruidoso Downs. David Jordan, Pas-
tor. Sunday: Worship hour: 11 a.m.;
Sunday school: 9:30 a.m.; Evening
worship: 6 p.m. Wednesday: Prayer
meeting: 7 p.m.

First Baptist Church
Thlnia. Bill Jones, Pastor. Sunday
School: 9:45 a.m.; Sunday worship:
11 a.m.

Iglesia Bautista Vida Eterna
Hwy. 70 Ruidoso Downs. Ramon
Robledo, Pastor. Domingos: Escuela
Dominical 10 a.m.; Canto de Predica-
cion, 11 a.m.; Canto de Predicacion 6
p.m. Miércoles: Estudio Bíblico 7 p.m.

Mescalero Baptist Mission
Mescalero. Sunday: Sunday school
10 a.m.; Worship 11 a.m., 7:15 p.m.;
Training union 6:30 p.m. Wednesday
services 6:30 p.m.

Ruidoso Baptist Church
126 Church Drive, Palmer Gateway.
Wayne Joyce, Pastor. Sunday School:
9:45 a.m.; Sunday worship: 10:45
a.m., 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible study:
7 p.m.

Trinity Southern Baptist Church
Capitan (south on Highway 48), 354-
2925. Rex Berensford, Pastor. Sunday
School: 9:30 a.m.; Sunday Worship:
11 a.m.

Baha'i Faith
Meeting in members' homes. 257-
2987 or 336-7739

CATHOLIC
St. Eleanor Catholic Church
Ruidoso, 257-2330. Reverend Richard
Catonach. Sacrament of Penitence: Sat.
6:30 p.m. or by appointment. Sun-
day Mass: 6 p.m.; Sunday Mass: 10
a.m. (English), 11:30 a.m. (Bilingual);
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat. 4:30
p.m. Sunday Mass, St. Jude Thaddeus,
San Patricio: 8 a.m.

Sacred Heart Catholic Church
Capitan, 354-9102. Saturday Mass: 5
p.m.; Sunday Mass: 9 a.m.; Monday

Adult Bible Study: 6 p.m.
Santa Rita Catholic Church
Carrizozo, 648-2853. Father Dave
Bergs, Pastor. Saturday Mass: 6:30
p.m.; Sunday Mass: 11 a.m.; Tuesday
Adult Bible Study: 6 p.m.
St. Theresa Catholic Church
Corona. Sunday Mass: 6 p.m.
St. Joseph Apache Mission
Mescalero. Father Tom Herbst, Pas-
tor. Sunday Mass: 10:30 a.m.
Our Lady of Guadalupe
Bent. Father Tom Herbst, Pastor.
Saturday Mass: 6 p.m.; Sunday Mass:
8 a.m.

CHRISTIAN
First Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)
Hull and Gavilan Canyon Road.
Rev. James M. Smith, Pastor. Sunday
School: K-12/Adult: 9:30 a.m.; Sun-
day Worship: 10:45 a.m.; Chancel
Choir: Wednesday 7 p.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Church of Christ
Capitan - Highway 48. Les Ear-
wood, Minister. Sunday Bible study:
10 a.m.; Sunday worship: 11 a.m., 6
p.m.; Wednesday Bible study: 7 p.m.
Gateway Church of Christ
415 Sudderth, Ruidoso, 257-4381.
Jimmy Sporneman, Minister. Sunday
Bible study: 9:30 a.m.; Sunday wor-
ship: 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wednesday
Bible study: 7 p.m.

CHURCH OF JESUS
CHRIST LDS
Church of Jesus Christ LDS
Ruidoso Branch, North on Hwy. 48,
between mile markers 14/15, 336-
4339 or 257-9891. Sunday: Sacra-
ment meeting: 10 a.m.; Sunday wor-
ship: 11:00 a.m.; Priesthood Relief
Soc.: 12:10 p.m.; Primary/ Young
Women: 11:10 a.m.
Church of Jesus Christ LDS
Mescalero Branch, 671-4630. Wray
Schlindknecht, President, 671-9506.
Sunday: Sacrament meeting 10 a.m.;
Sunday School and Primary 11:20
a.m.; Priesthood Relief Soc. & Young
Women, 12:10 a.m.

EPISCOPAL
Episcopal Church
of the Holy Mount
121 Mescalero Trail, Ruidoso. Father
John W. Penn, Rector. Sunday
Eucharist: 8 & 10:30 a.m.; Wednes-
day: Daughters of King: noon. Euch-
arist: 8; healing: 5:30 p.m.; Choir
practices: 7 p.m.
Episcopal Chapel of San Juan
Lincoln. Sunday: Holy Eucharist
10:30 a.m.
St. Anne's Episcopal Chapel
Episco. Sunday: Holy Eucharist 9 a.m.
St. Matthias Episcopal Chapel
Carrizozo, 6th & E Street. Sunday:
Holy Eucharist: 9:30 a.m.

FOURSQUARE
Capitan Foursquare Church
Highway 48, Capitan. Harold W.
Perry, Pastor. Sunday School: 10
a.m.; Sunday worship: 11 a.m., 7
p.m.; Wednesday Bible study: 7 p.m.

FULL GOSPEL
Mission Fountain of Living Water
San Patricio. Sunday School: 10 a.m.;
Evening services: 7:30 p.m. Sunday,
Tuesday and Friday.

JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES

Ruidoso - Kingdom Hall
106 Alpine Village Road, 258-3659,
257-3871. Sunday: Public Talk 1:30
p.m.; Watchtower: 2:20 p.m. Mon-
day: Bible Study 7:30 p.m. Thursday:
Ministry School 7:30 p.m.; Service
Meet 8:20 p.m.
Congregacion Hispana
de los Testigos de Jehova
106 Alpine Village Road, 258-3659,
336-7076. Domingo: Reunion Publica
10 a.m.; Estudio de la Atalaya 10:50
a.m. Mart. Escuela, del Ministerio
Teocratico 7 p.m.; Reunion de ser-
vicio 7:50 p.m.; Juev. Estudio de libro
7:00 p.m.

LUTHERAN MO. SYNOD
Shepherd of the Hills
1120 Hill Road, 258-4191, 257-
5296. Kevin L. Krohn, Pastor. Sun-
day: Worship 8:30 a.m.; 10:30 a.m.;
Sunday School & Adult Bible Class
9:30 a.m. Third Sunday Evening
Bible Study: 5:30 p.m., call for loca-
tion.

METHODIST
Community United
Methodist Church
Junction Road, behind Daylight
Donuts. Harry Riser, Pastor. Sunday
School: 9:45 a.m.; Sunday worship:
8:30 a.m., 10:55 a.m.
Capitan United Methodist
Church
Pastor Tom Woodward and the con-
gregation of Capitan United
Methodist Church welcome Lincoln
County residents and visitors alike to
attend Bible study Sunday morning at
8:30, followed by worship service at
9:10. Communion is offered during
worship on the first Sunday of every
month, and a potluck luncheon is
served the third Sunday at 12:30.
White Oaks and Third in Capitan.
505-648-2846.

United Methodist Church Parish
Trinity - Carrizozo. Tom Woodward,
Pastor. Sunday school 10:00 a.m.;
Sunday worship 11:10 a.m.
Nazarene
Angus Church of the Nazarene
Angus, 12 miles north of Ruidoso on
Hwy. 48, 336-8032. Charles Hall,
Pastor. Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.;
Sunday worship: 10:45 a.m. and
6:00 p.m.; Wed. fellowship: 6:30 p.m.

PENTECOSTAL
Spirit of Life Apostolic/
Pentecostal Tabernacle
Lincoln Ave., Capitan, 257-6864.
Allan M. Miller, Pastor. Sunday
School: 10 a.m.; Sunday Evening
Services: 6 p.m.; Tuesday Bible
Study: 7 p.m.

NAZARENE
Cornerstone Church
Cornerstone Square, 613 Sudderth
Drive, 257-9265. B.A. Thurman,
Pastor. Sunday services: Adult and
children's Church, 10:30 a.m.; Bible
Study Adult and Youth, Wednesday,
7 p.m.

CONYON CHURCH
Noon Sundays at the Glencoe Rural
Events Center. Everyone welcome.
Preacher Buster Reed of Arroyito.
Call 378-4840 for more info.

Living Word Church
441 Mechem, 257-3470. Pastors: Terry
and Suzanne Lewis. Sunday: Renewal
services Sunday 10:30 a.m. and 5 p.m.
Wednesday: intercessory prayer noon;
mid-week services 7 p.m.

Peace Chapel
Interdenominational (JLC)
Alto North, 336-7075. Jeanmie
Price, Pastor. Morning chapel: 6:50
a.m. (Sept. - June); Sunday Service:
11 a.m.

Trinity Mountain Fellowship
Gavilan Canyon Road, 336-4213.
Sunday: morning prayer: 8:30 a.m.;
Sunday school 9 a.m.; service 10 a.m.
Thursday: home Bible study 7 p.m.

REFORMED CHURCH

Mescalero Reformed
Mescalero. Bob Schut, Pastor. Sun-
day: Church school 9:30 a.m.; high
youth 6:30 p.m. Wed: high school
meeting 7 p.m. Thuk: Kids Club
(grades 1-5) 3:30.

SEVENTH DAY
ADVENTIST
Seventh Day Adventist
207 Parkway, Agua Fria, Ruidoso
Downs, 378-4161. Pastor Rick Lytle
443-1904; Assoc. Pastor Wilburn
Morrow 622-1206. Saturday: Sab-
bath school 9:30 a.m.; Church ser-
vice: 11 a.m. Wednesday: Prayer
meeting 7 p.m.

NON-DENOMINATIONAL

Abundant Life Family Church
2810 Sudderth Drive, Suite 210,
257-1188. Mark Gentry, pastor.
Sunday worship 6 p.m. Thursday
Bible study 7 p.m.

American Missionary Fellowship
Gregg Horst, 354-2307. Monday.
Ruidoso men's Bible study noon at
Pizza Hut, Mechem Drive; Women's
Bible study 6:30 p.m. Wednesday:
Capitan youth group 7 p.m. at the
fair building. Thursday: Adult Bible
Study 6:30 p.m.

Calvary Chapel
433 Sudderth Drive in the Gateway
Center, 257-5915. Pastor John
Marshall. Sunday worship 10:30
a.m.; Wednesday: Midweek bible
study 7 p.m.

Centro Cristiano Casa de Oracion
2818 Sudderth (Pinesquare Square),
Ruidoso, 257-9642. Pastor Carlos
Carreon. Reunion General Jueves
6:00 p.m.; Domingo 10:45 a.m. (Luz
Amistad Sabado) 1:00 a.m. (niños).

Christ Church in the Downs
Ruidoso Downs, 378-8464. Al and
Mary Lane, Pastors. Sunday: Chil-
dren's ministries concurrent with
Sunday Services 9:30 a.m.; worship
8 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.; Thursday:
services 7 p.m.

Christ Community Fellowship
Capitan, Highway 380 West,
354-2458. Ed Vinson, Pastor. Sunday
school, 9:45 a.m.; Sunday worship,
10:30 a.m.

Cornerstone Church
Cornerstone Square, 613 Sudderth
Drive, 257-9265. B.A. Thurman,
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CLUBS

All American Duplicate Bridge Club
7 p.m. Thursday in the Ruidoso Se-
nior Citizens Center for weekly
open and novice games. For more
information call 257-9228.

AL-ANON of Ruidoso
Meets every Tuesday from 8-9 p.m.
at the Gateway Center, 439 Sud-
derth, Ruidoso, 257-7124

Alcoholics Anonymous
Meets at noon and 8 p.m. every day
at the Gateway Center, 439 Sud-
derth, Ruidoso, 257-9397

Alto Women's Association
Meets 11 a.m. Tuesdays at the Alto
Club House for lunch at noon and
cards at 1 p.m. Business meeting the
first Tuesday of every month.

Altru Club
Meets 7 p.m. the first Tuesday of
every month for program and at
noon the third Tuesday of every
month for lunch at the Episcopal
Church of the Holy Mount, 121
Mescalero Trail, 258-4885

Abraham's Monthly Support Group
Meets the first Wednesday of each
month at 7:30 a.m. at Ruidoso Care
Center, 257-9071

American Cancer Society
of Lincoln County
Breast cancer "Reach to Recovery"
program. Jan Yowell R.N. Memorial
donations to American Cancer Soci-
ety.

American Legion
Robert J. Nagas, Post 70
Meets 7 p.m. the third Wednesday in
the American Legion Building at U.S.
Highway 70 and Spring Road in Rui-
dosos Downs, 257-5799

La Junta F.C.E.
Meets at San Patricio Senior Citizens
Building at 10:45 a.m. the third
Wednesday of every month. (505)
653-4912.

Libertarian Party of Lincoln County
Meets 7 p.m. on the second Thurs-
day of every month at the Texas
New Mexico Power Building. The
public is welcome.

Lincoln County Adult Singles Group
Meets every Thursday for social
time or parties. Additional
activities are also planned for week-
ends. Adult singles of all ages are
welcome. For more information and
location, call 258-3201 or 354-
2635. www.nogal.com/lsag

Lincoln County Blind Club
The Lincoln County Blind Club meets
once a month. 257-5352

Lincoln County Democratic Party
Meets once a month. 257-9090

Lincoln County Food Bank
In St. Eleanor's Catholic Church. Board
meets at 7 p.m. the third Thursday of
every month. Food bank hours are
noon-4 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and
Friday. 257-4624

Lincoln County Homebuilders
Meets at the Texas Club the first
Tuesday of each month. Board of Di-
rectors meetings at 6 p.m. and gen-
eral meeting at 7 p.m. Monday, Wednesday
and Friday. 257-4624

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Lions International
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behind Mountain Laundry on Tues-
days for supper.

Music Ridge #93
Meets in the Masonic Family Building
at the corner of Mescalero Trail and

every month at the Ruidoso Public-
Library.
Friends Of Smokey-Capitan, Inc.
12:30 p.m. at the Smokey Bear Cafe
in Capitan. The public is welcome to
attend all meetings and events.

Gambler's Anonymous
Meets at 3 p.m. every Sunday at the
Gateway Church of Christ, 415 Sud-
derth Drive, Ruidoso (near en-
trance). For more information call
257-9289.

Golden Age Club
Meets at the Ruidoso Senior Citizens
Center at noon the first and third
Wednesdays of every month for
covered dish lunch and games.

HIV+ Support Group
Meets the second Monday of every
month. Loving Others Support
Group for friends and family of
HIV+ meets the third Tuesday of
every month. 257-2236.

Humane Society of Lincoln Coun-
ty
Meets at 10 a.m. the third Saturday
of every month at the Alto Country
Club.

Kids Club
Meets Saturdays at 11 a.m. at the
Gateway Church at 415 Sudderth.
257-4188 or 378-1113

Kiwanis Club
Meets noon every Tuesday at K-
Bob's restaurant on Hwy. 70. Visiting
Kiwanis members are always wel-
come.

Knight's of Columbus
Father E. Dasher Cassard
Meets in the parish hall at St.
Eleanor's Catholic Church at 7 p.m.
the second and fourth Tuesdays of
every month. William F. Studeer,
grand knight.

La Junta F.C.E.
Meets at San Patricio Senior Citizens
Building at 10:45 a.m. the third
Wednesday of every month. (505)
653-4912.

Libertarian Party of Lincoln County
Meets 7 p.m. on the second Thurs-
day of every month at the Texas
New Mexico Power Building. The
public is welcome.

Lincoln County Adult Singles Group
Meets every Thursday for social
time or parties. Additional
activities are also planned for week-
ends. Adult singles of all ages are
welcome. For more information and
location, call 258-3201 or 354-
2635. www.nogal.com/lsag

Lincoln County Blind Club
The Lincoln County Blind Club meets
once a month. 257-5352

Lincoln County Democratic Party
Meets once a month. 257-9090

Lincoln County Food Bank
In St. Eleanor's Catholic Church. Board
meets at 7 p.m. the third Thursday of
every month. Food bank hours are
noon-4 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and
Friday. 257-4624

Lincoln County Homebuilders
Meets at the Texas Club the first
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Nob Hill Drive, for dinner at 6:30
p.m. and meeting at 7:30 p.m. on
the first Monday (second Monday if
first is a holiday) of every month.
257-9604

Model Rocket Association
The association meets the first
Thursday of every month at the
Space Center's Hubbard Space Sci-
ence Education Building. Call Bob
Turner at 437-2840 days, 434-0405
evening. Curbside Alamoso area
call Turner at 806-545-4021.

Narcotics Anonymous
Meets 8 p.m. Tuesday and 1:30 p.m.
Sunday at Gateway Church, 415
Sudderth, entrance behind church.
378-5363; HCR 46, Box 655, Rui-
dosos Downs, NM 88346.

National Association of Retired
Federal Employees, Chapter 839
Meets 10 a.m. the second Tuesday of
every month at the Ruidoso Senior
Citizens Center. 258-3493 or 378-
4669.

New Mexican Christian
Horseman's Association
Trail ride and "Que's" fellowship ac-
tivities. Christian program. For more
information on membership and vol-
unteer positions for the 1998 summer
please call 505-336-4675.

Noly Waters Sertoma Club
5:30 p.m. every second Wednesday
of the month at K-Bob's. For more
information call Evelyn Shaw at
257-3479.

Optimist Club (Friends of Youth)
Meets at noon every Tuesday at
Cree Meadows Country Club. New
members always welcome. For
modern information call Elizabeth
Jents 258-5969 or Vera Wood 258-
9218.

Order of the Eastern Star
Ruidoso Chapter #668
Meets 7:30 the second Thursday of
every month in the Masonic Family
Building, 144 Nob Hill Rd., Ruidoso.

R.E.O. Chapter Ar Meetings
Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays during
the winter months - September thru
May 257-1465

Photographic Society of Lincoln City
Meets 7:00 p.m. the third Thurs-
day of each month in the Public Meet-
ing Room, 1st floor at the Ruidoso High
School, 258-4003

Fine Top Rod & Custom Car Club
Meets 7:00 p.m. every second
Wednesday of the month in the meet-
ing room for food and mainsteam
square dancing. 257-3193; 336-4808

Prepared Childbirth Classes
Eight-week sessions meet 7 p.m.
Mondays, at the Church of the Holy
Mount, 121 Mescalero Trail, Rui-
dosos. Qualified instructors. 257-
7381 (for O.B. dep.)

Republican Party of Lincoln County
Meets the first Monday of each month
at 6 p.m. 354-4230 or Doris Nolas,
258-4780.

Republican Women of Lincoln County
Meets the fourth Tuesday of each
month at 1:30 a.m. Board meeting at
10:00 a.m. 257-9351 or 258-9109.

Rotary International
Ruidoso-Hondo Valley Club
Meets at the Swiss Chalet Inn at noon
on Tuesdays.

Ruidoso Book Review
and Discussion Group Meeting
10 a.m. the first Wednesday of every
month at First Christian Church,
1211 Hill Road. Everyone is wel-
come to attend.

Ruidoso Care Center Auxiliary
Meets 11:30 a.m. the third Thursday
of every month in the Ruidoso Care
Center dining room for free lunch
with 24-hour advance reservations.
1:15 program for residents and guests.

Ruidoso Chess Club
Meets 6:00 p.m. Tuesdays at Cree
Meadows Country Club. New play-
ers and all levels welcome. 336-4219,
354-8036, 258-4757.

Ruidoso Downs Auxiliary
Meets 7 p.m. the first Monday of
every month in the Auxiliary Building,
123 Downs Avenue, Ruidoso Downs.
378-4184 or 378-4766.

Ruidoso Duplicate Bridge Club
Meets in the Masonic Family Building
at the corner of Mescalero Trail and

257-7411
Ruidoso Federated Women's Club
Meets 1:30 p.m. the second Wednes-
day of each month Sept. through May
in the Women's Club Building, 116
Evergreen Road, Ruidoso, 258-1239

Ruidoso Garden Club
Meets 10 a.m. the third Tuesday of
every month at various locations.
258-5509 or 257-7157

Ruidoso Gun Club
Meets 7 p.m. first Monday of each
month in the Church of the Holy
Mount, Mescalero Trail, Ruidoso.

Ruidoso Hosiery Sewing Group
Meets at 7 p.m. the third Tuesday of
every month. 257-2446 or 336-8064

Ruidoso Public Library Board
Meets at noon the second Wednes-
day of every month at the Ruidoso
Public Library.

Ruidoso Shrine Club
Meets at 6:30 p.m. the fourth
Wednesday of every month at Cree
Meadows Restaurant. 257-3063

Ruidoso Valley Moon Lovers Club
Meets at 1:30 a.m. every Tuesday for
lunch and a short meeting at Cree
Meadows Country Club. 258-9169

Ruidoso Vegetarian Club
will meet on Thursday July 15th at
6 p.m. at the Ruidoso Senior Center
for their monthly potluck. Please
bring a main dish or suggested
dishes for the club. 257-2179

SHHH - Self Help for Hard of
Hearing People, Inc.
Smokey Bear Chapter meets the
fourth Thursday of each month at
7:00 p.m. at the Texas-New Mexico
Power Company, 1100 Mechem
Drive, Ruidoso. For information con-
tact Thya Heger,
at hheger@yahoo.com, or call Linda
Parks at 258-1082.

Sierra Blanca Amateur
Radio Club
Meets 9 a.m. every Saturday. Loca-
tion to be announced at 146,920
MHz after 8 a.m. 257-2135

Sierra Blanca Duplicate Bridge Club
Meets at 1 p.m. Tuesday at the Rui-
dosos Senior Citizens Center for week-
ly open and novice games. 257-9228

Sierra Blanca Swingers
Meets at 8 p.m. the first and third
Thursday of each month at Nob Hill
Elementary for food and mainstream
square dancing. 257-3193; 336-4808

Stress Management Group
Meets 4 p.m. Mondays at the Coun-
seling Center, 206 Sudderth Drive,
Ruidoso. This group is free and open
to the public. 257-5038

The Party Bridge Group
Meets 1 p.m. Wednesday and Friday
at the Ruidoso Senior Citizens Cen-
ter. Anyone wanting to play call Mrs.
Ellis at 257-2590.

Thursday Bridge
11 a.m. Thursdays at Cree Meadows.
258-9186

United We Stand
For meeting time, call 257-6600

VFW Post 7077 and Auxiliary
Jerome Don Main Post 7072 and its
women's auxiliary meet 7 p.m. the second
Monday of every month at Ameri-
can Legion Hall, Hwy. 70 and Spring
Road, Ruidoso Downs. 257-5796

Women in Recovery 12 Step Meeting
Meets every Monday 6:45 a.m. at
Gateway Center, 439 Sudderth. 378-
8391 or 257-2560

White Mountain Search & Rescue
Meets 7 p.m. the third Monday at the
public meeting room at Texas-NM
Power. 258-4759

Women's Night Out
Community Chorus
Meets at 7 p.m. third Monday of the
month in the meeting room of Texas-
New Mexico Power. 336-9669 or
258-9158

Your Helping Hands
Meets on the third Wednesday of
every month. 257-9704, 257-4787 or
257-2295

Za Girl Scout Council
Meets 6 p.m. the first Thursday of
every month at the Episcopal Church
of the Holy Mount.

Domenici's tax plan 'assists middle class'

WASHINGTON — U.S. Sen. Pete Domenici, a long-time advocate of tax reform and simplification, has introduced a broad-based tax cut bill aimed at providing tax relief to a wide swath of the American middle class, while also addressing such issues as the marriage penalty and estate taxes, and the Alternative Minimum Tax.

Domenici introduced the Share the Surplus Tax Reduction & Simplification Act, a 10-year, \$776.7 billion package that would adjust the current 15 and 28-percent tax brackets to include more middle-income taxpayers.

The plan also addresses capital gains, IRA deductions, estate taxes, interest income and dividend deductions, research and experimentation (R&E) credits, the Alternative Minimum Tax and expanded expensing.

Unveiling his bill to the Senate, Domenici underscored the philosophy that underpins his views of the tax relief Americans should be offered over the next decade—all fitting within the guidelines set in the FY2000 Budget Resolution for \$778 billion in tax cuts over 10 years. The Senate is expected to debate a tax relief package later this month.

"It is estimated that the average American household

will pay nearly \$7,000 more in taxes than the federal government needs to operate, the non-Social Security portion of the government over the next 10 years," Domenici said. "The 1990s are the true decade of greed, government greed. Individual income tax collections alone rose to 10 percent of the gross domestic product and are projected to stay there. The American people have never ever experienced a greedier government based on the level of income taxation.

"It is time to return some of that money to American families and businesses. And before the critics wind up and begin their preprogrammed cries of 'tax cuts for the rich,' I trust they will look at this plan and determine that it is fair and responsible and good for all Americans, particularly those in the lowest income tax brackets," he said.

New Mexico's senior Senator—chairman of the Senate Budget Committee—said his 10-year tax plan would fight the "bracket creep" that pushes low and middle-income families into higher tax brackets as their income reflect the benefits of a growing American economy.

Carrizozo centennial parade July 31

Summer-long series of events near start

BY PHYLLIS SCHLEGEL
RUIDOSO NEWS CORRESPONDENT

Saturday morning, July 31, beginning at 9 a.m., Carrizozo Chief of Police Angelo Vega and his officers will inspect all vehicles and drivers as they lineup for the Carrizozo Centennial Parade, which will start at 10 a.m.

"Drivers license, proof of insurance, and vehicle registration will be checked, so as to insure the safety of all parties involved," stated Chief Vega.

Parade lineup for all participants will begin at 9 a.m. in the area surrounding the Carlos Zamora, Jr. Fire Department substation on Birch Street. The parade will move eastward and disband at the approach to U. S. Highway 380.

Former mayors of Carrizozo have been invited and will be welcomed and introduced at Fred Chavez Park following the parade and prior to the Veterans Salute.

It is not too late to enter a float, decorated truck, animal, walking group, bicycle, wagon or other representation. Be a part of this 100th birthday celebration. Call 648-2363 or 648-2983.

Centennial has cowboy poet and balladeer at Methodist church

Tom Woodward, pastor of Trinity United Methodist Church announced, "R. W. Hampton, singer, songwriter, storyteller, world traveler, and my

friend, will fill our pulpit on Sunday, Aug. 15, leading us in Christian worship."

The visit comes in the midst of Carrizozo Centennial activities and Trinity welcomes visitors from the community and surrounding areas to attend this special 11 a.m. worship service.

Hampton is a regular participant at major cowboy music, poetry and art festivals throughout our country, Canada, and seven other countries of the world.

Everyone will enjoy the music of this talented artist. His clear resonant voice captivates the listener and entices them to return with him to a time almost gone; he recaptures the heart of the West.

Hampton has four albums out and will sing selections from all of them, especially his new Christian album titled, "Then Sings My Soul"

An offering will be taken to help defray travel expenses.

Trinity UMC is located at the corner of 10th and Ave. D, across from the high school. For more information, call Pastor Tom Woodward at 648-2846.

Carrizozo graduate in his second year as pro bronc rider

In 1998 Jim Dewey Brown embarked on his professional career as a saddle bronc rider. Jim and his wife,

It is not too late to enter a float, decorated vehicle, animal, walking group, bicycle, wagon or other representation.

Shawwna, reside in Stephenville, Texas, known as "the cowboy capital of the world", and attend Tarleton State University.

Last year Jim was Reserve Champion Saddle Bronc rider for the Southwest Region and he led TSU's men's team to a second-place finish in the Southwest Region. This qualified him to compete at the College

National Finals Rodeo (CNFR) this past June in Casper, Wyo.

The CNFR features top cowboys and cowgirls from 20-plus teams across the country. College rodeo is sanctioned by the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association and separated into 11 regions consisting of 137 colleges and universities. More than 3,500 currently compete at the college level.

Highlights of Brown's pro career are second place finishes in Silver City and Wichita Falls, Texas. His wins number three to date, including Dalhart and Stephenville, Texas and most recently Prescott, Ariz.

Jim Dewey Brown, son of Dewey and Linda Brown, began his rodeo career while a junior at Carrizozo High School and upon his graduation in 1996, was awarded a \$1,000 scholarship from the New Mexico High School Rodeo Association. Brown continues to receive academic and rodeo scholarships as he attends Tarleton State University.

New Mexico chile crop losses could result in emergency help for farmers

WASHINGTON — U.S. Senator Pete Domenici has urged the Farm Services Agency to expedite its analysis of recent damage to the southern New Mexico chile crop in order to allow an emergency designation for farmers in the area.

"I know that the FSA is working hard to complete its damage assess-

ment," Domenici said. "Based on reports I have received from southern New Mexico, it seems very likely that the damage will be so severe that an emergency designation by the Secretary of Agriculture would be warranted.

"Even an emergency declaration, however, might not allow enough help

to keep many farmers afloat until next season," he said, "and I expect that further aid later this year will be necessary. If that is the case, I intend to work as a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee to get additional emergency assistance to the region."

Domenici, who toured regions of

Doña Ana and Otero counties recently, said he was troubled by reports of the projected failure of the chile crop in Luna County, the Mesilla Valley and southern New Mexico. According to the New Mexico State University Cooperative Extension Service, half the chile crop in New Mexico could be lost this year, constituting a projected

\$30 million loss in revenue.

"I am worried that the impact of a such a massive crop failure could have a long-term effect on farming this crop, which has been so historically, culturally and economically important to this region," Domenici said. "The situation is so bad this year and replanting options are slim."



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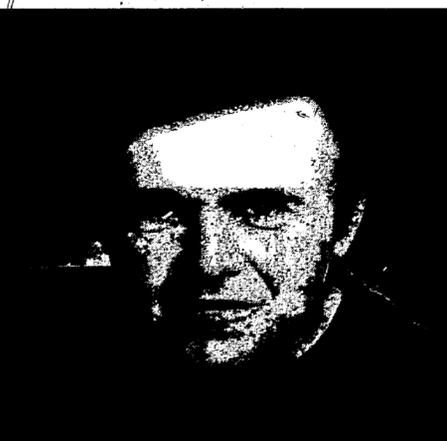
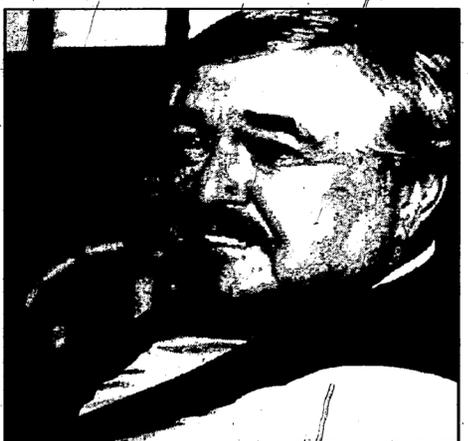
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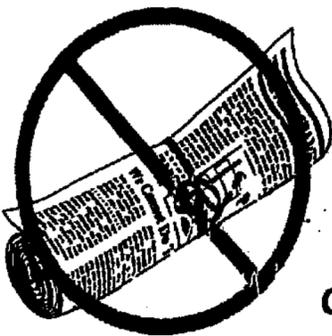
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BELLAS ARTES

Art and Artifact

107 S. Lincoln Ave., Capitan, 354-2386.

A contemporary gallery featuring fine art and rare, unusual objects for collectors, housed in a 1896 bordello. Gallery hours are 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday, or by appointment.

Benson Fine Art

Off Hwy 70, San Patricio, 653-4081.

Now open in its new location in San Patricio, call 653-4081.

Bonito Bronze

204 Mechem Dr., Ruidoso, 259-1313

Bronze sculptor Gaylon Gillem's works. Open Monday - Friday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

California Colors

201 Country Club Bld., Ruidoso, 257-9518

Barbara Dehl-Westbrook is the artist in residence of this 5,600 square-foot gallery of art. Call for more information.

Chamber of Commerce

728 Sudderth Dr., Ruidoso, 257-7795

Patty Blasdel's watercolors, pastels and drawings along with Elaine Armstrong's rakued sculptural pieces are featured this month at the public art space of the chamber of commerce. Hours are: Monday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Tuesday through Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Eagle Ranch Art Gallery

7288 Hwy. 54/70, Alamogordo, 1-800-432-0999.

Featured in July: Jerry Rice's paintings. Gallery hours: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily.

Gail's Frame of Mind

1204 Mechem, Ruidoso, 259-9071.

An alternative gallery featuring Lincoln County Artists. Originals by Gaylon Gillem, Denise Dorn, Isz, Billie Long, Marcia Bizeau & Bears Tiewis, Jim Leasure, Laurel Appel, Barbara Culler, Bruce Chapman, Bernice Landrum, Marty Lane, Falling Rock Pottery, T.R. Fussell and Crystallis Glass sculptures by Anaya Lynn. Open Monday - Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Gary D. Garrett

2306 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso, 257-6977

The gallery features the acrylic paintings of artist Gary Garrett.

Handwoven Designs

102 Lincoln Ave., Capitan, 354-2008

Maggie Doyle is a nationally recognized, fourth-generation hand weaver with a working weavery in Capitan. She draws inspiration from the landscapes of her New Mexican home for her handwoven clothing. Using natural fibers, dyes, and hand-spun yarns, the garments are finished with knitted trim and eclectic buttons. Open Thursday - Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Hubbard Museum of the American West

Hwy. 70, Ruidoso Downs, 378-4142.

'Reflections of a Journey,' the engravings of

Karl Bodmer and his trip across the West in the 1830s, plus the art exhibit for the Connoisseur Classic Southwest Wine competition. Summer hours: 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., daily.

Hurd-La Rinconada Gallery

Off Hwy. 70 in San Patricio, 653-4331.

Michael Hurd's latest works plus works by Peter Hurd, Henriette Wyeth Hurd, Andrew Wyeth, Jamie Wyeth, Carol Hurd Rogers and Peter de la Fuente. Works can be viewed Monday - Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and by appointment on Sunday.

The Kenyon Thomas Gallery

546 Sudderth, Ruidoso by the traffic lights at Paradise Canyon, 257-1066.

Pottery and pastels by Kenyon Thomas, fine weavings by Marcia Thomas. Call for gallery hours.

Lorene & Larry's Frame & Art

268 Main Bld. Capitan, 354-2605

Original art, watercolor painting, Southwestern prints and custom design furniture by Larry.

Expressions in Bronze

2002 Sudderth, Ruidoso, 257-3790

Dave McGary's facility features a finishing studio and a gallery which showcases a two-decade retrospective collection of his "Images in Bronze." Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday - Saturday.

The Montano Store

Hwy. 390, Lincoln, 653-4372.

Featuring the newly renovated store and temporary exhibits highlighting the Montano family, Hispanic contributions to the area and adobe architecture. Hours: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday to Sunday. Admission fee included in the \$7 daily pass which can be purchased at the Court House.

Mtn. Arts Gallery & Framing

2530 Sudderth Dr., Ruidoso, 257-9748

The gallery features originals and prints by local artist Teri Sodd. Prints by Bill Jaxon, Michael Atkinson, Judy Larson, Dale Terbush, Robert Carver, Suanne Wamsley and more. Handmade artifacts, pottery, kachinas and rugs. Open seven days, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Nogal Store & Gallery

Highway 37, Nogal

Featuring the works of Nogal and Lincoln County area artists and craftsmen such as Tim Brazie, Mike and Georgia Lagg, Pam Topper, John West, Anne Buffington, Susan Weir-Ancker, Ivy Heyman, Leroy Anderson and Coleta Lively. Hours: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Wednesday - Saturday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday.

Red Rose Art Studio

County Rd. E016, Honda, 653-4203.

The studio of Hondo Valley artist Paula White features her works in oil, acrylic and porcelain in styles from impressionistic to abstract expression. Weekly classes are held on Tuesday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call for hours.

Rio Street Gallery

Located in Midtown at 111 Rio St., Ruidoso, 257-6844

Original fine art in a variety of media by nationally acclaimed artists. Gallery hours: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday - Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday by appointment.

Sacred Images, Angels & Icons

416 First St., Ruidoso, 257-6627

New Orleans artist Jim Leasure specializes in portraits of clients' guardian angels. He also paints angelic themed school and church murals, ceilings and walls of private homes and businesses. His studio is open to the public by appointment.

Spring Canyon Gallery

2206 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso, 257-1561.

Artist Misha Malpica opens her Spring Canyon sculpturing studio to the public, where you can meet the artist and watch as a creation unfolds before your eyes. Hours: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday - Thursday, and 10 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Friday - Sunday.

Stribling Fine Art

1031 Mechem Dr., Ruidoso, 258-4892

Featuring contemporary Southwest paintings by New Mexico artist Stephen Stribling. Located in The Attic complex (upstairs in back). Hours: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday - Sunday, or by appt.

The Tree's House

Nogal Canyon Road off Hwy. 37 between mile markers 9/10, Nogal, 354-4206.

The Lags are woodworkers who design and create a variety of functional artworks, including doors, screens and lamps. Located in Nogal at Hwy. 37 and Nogal Canyon Road.

Three of Cups Antiques

11 Smokey Bear Blvd., Capitan, 354-4801

Primitive antiques and rustic accessories for cabin living. Open Monday - Saturday.

Western Trails Gallery

320 East Smokey Bear Blvd., Capitan 354-4203.

Original western oils, a collection of quality Indian jewelry and artifacts, unique ethnographic and regional crafts. Featured artist is Jai Wei Zhou whose oil paintings take a western/ southwestern theme.

White Mtn. Pottery Gallery

2328 Sudderth Dr., Ruidoso, 257-3644.

Featuring Tim Wierwille's landscaped series, Will and Johana DeMay, Chris Heede, Larry Davidson, Vicki Conley, Ivy Heyman, Alan Butler and Bill Campbell. Call for gallery hours.

White Oaks Pottery Studio and Gallery

3 1/2 miles NE of White Oaks, 648-2965.

From her adobe studio, potter Ivy Heyman makes functional porcelain, sculptures and lighting in the shadow of Patos Mountain. A one hour drive north from Ruidoso. Open seven days, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

EYE ON THE ARTS

Georgia O'Keeffe: The Poetry of Things

This exhibit focusing on O'Keeffe's portrayal of objects will open at 10:00 am, Friday, August 6, at the Georgia O'Keeffe museum in Santa Fe. Co-organized by The Phillips Collection in Washington, DC, and the Dallas Museum of Art, the exhibition of 64 paintings/drawings is \$5 for adults, free for children, and \$1 on Sunday.

Fall American photo contest seeks entries

Entries are sought for the Hubbard Museum of the American West's Fall American photographic competition, which opens October 23 at the museum in Ruidoso Downs.

The exhibition was founded to "encourage excellence in photography and reward museum quality work." Seven \$250 prizes will be issued as well as six \$100. The deadline for pros and amateurs to submit their work in categories of Landscape, People, Architecture, Open, Public Service, and Transportation is October 13th. Call the Hubbard Museum of the American West for more information, 378-4142.

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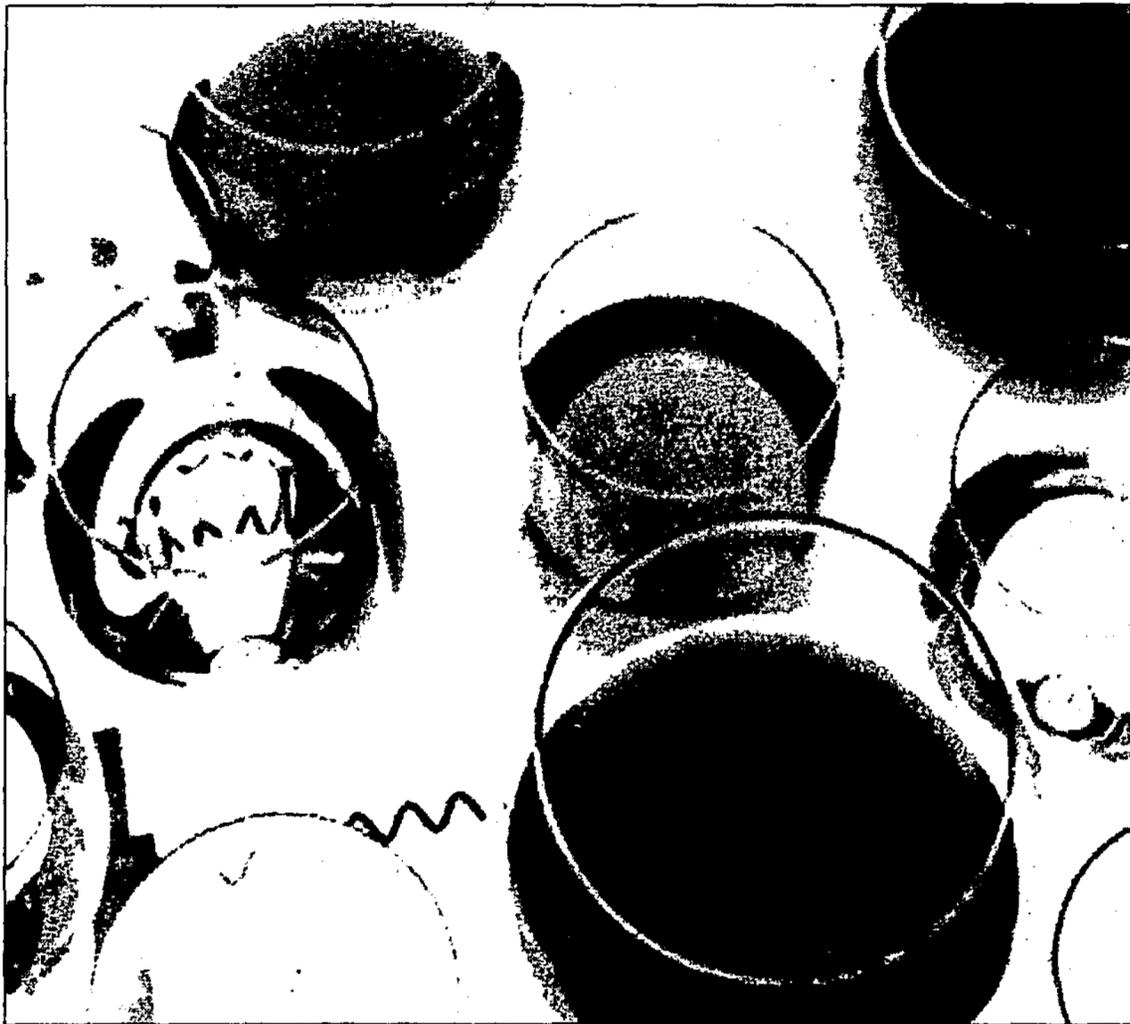
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A full body experience

by Sandy Suggitt
VAMONOS STAFF WRITER

Wine connoisseur Shirley Jones likens wine judging to the tense atmosphere of chess tournaments. "You're really concentrating on this, it reminds you of something; is it bananas, cinnamon, shoe leather?"

"It's a mind-game," she said. "This wine is somebody's child, somebody's product. What do you look for? Good color, good pleasant smell."

Novices and veterans of the vine alike will have the opportunity to learn about wines and to sample them when, for the first time, the Fourth Annual Southwest Wine Competition will merge with the Connoisseur Classic for a gala weekend in Ruidoso to celebrate wines from New Mexico, Texas, Colorado and Utah.

Co-organizer of the event Laura Doth said of the Southwest Wine Competition was in Angel Fire its first three years, and the Connoisseur Classic is an old event from the early 1990s. Grindstone Graphics, a local advertising agency, combined the two events to create a new event for Ruidoso.

"We're hoping to make it a world-class event," said judging co-chairperson Jones, who is organizing the procedures for the judging.

"We're looking at some world-class wines; it's going to be hard to judge them," Jones said. "Some have entered national competitions and have won medals. These are made very conscientiously. Winemakers have learned how to work with the grape; others have had training in other places, such as California and have looked on this area as a challenge."

Jones has contributed to wine reference books, such as "Hugh Johnson's Pocket Wine Book" and "Hugh Johnson's Wine Companion." She has been a wine consultant to restaurants in the United States and abroad, and has judged for several competitions. Co-chairman Harold Baer, managing editor of the "Colorado Wine News" is a member of the Society of Wine Educators and on the screening panel of Jancis Robinson's forthcoming book on new world wines.

Wines can "do" all kinds of things.

If a wine cries, it may have had a bit too much alcohol, causing "teardrops" to form around the glass where it evaporates and streams down the inside of the glass.

Wine judges often have to scrape their tongues to remove the buildup of tannins coating the tongue.

So says Etienne Cowper, one of the judges of the Connoisseur Classic Southwest Wine Competition. Cowper is a winemaker with Mount Palomar Winery whose wines have won numerous Gold Medal, Best of Class and Best of Show awards in major competitions.

Cowper will join four other judges Thursday, July 29, to educate novices about wine tasting, and then, Friday, to judge the 155 wines from 31 wineries competing at the Grand Tasting July 30.



courtesy

SECOND-PLACE WINNER in the wine festival's poster competition was Leland E. Deford III's photograph "Vino D'Montagna." The pieces submitted for the competition are on sale and the winning selection, "La Saveur" by Denise Dorn, will be part of a silent auction at the Grand Tasting.

Cowper said he looks at the color of a wine first, and red wines should have red and purple tones, not brown and orange tones. Then he looks at its clarity, its cleanness or muddiness.

"The next thing I do is smell it, see if I notice aromas or bouquets, a fruity bouquet or if I get vegetal or spicy. I also look for off-odors, rotten eggs," Cowper said, which can come from hydrogen sulfide.

Then he tastes it, looking for its balance of acidity and tannin,

the amount of astringency or sweetness it has. He looks for defects, off-flavors, spoilage, and if the alcohol level is appropriate for a certain wine.

"You can see it in the glass because the alcohol - depending on how high it is - will form tears around the glass where it evaporates and streams down the inside of the glass like teardrops," he said.

Then there's the length and weight of the "finish" of the wine, the flavors that linger in the

Their cups floweth over ...

Mike Pritchard's Blue Thunder and the Lightning Horns will offer high energy blues and rock music for dancing at the Grand Tasting Friday, July 30. Terrific showmen, any or all of the band could pour out into the audience and play around and on top of or under tables, chairs, laps or the bar. Pritchard has played in Texas for the past 20 years and has performed with Albert Collins, Lonnie Brooks, KoKo Taylor, "Gatemouth" Brown, Anson Funderburgh, Sam Meyers and Delbert McClinton. From 1991 to 1996 he played with Cathouse Blues and recorded the album, "Cold Jealous Fingers" on the Jalapeno Records Label.

courtesy



mouth after it has been swallowed or, in the case of judging, spat. "Some have a long smooth finish that draws out," Cowper said.

Jones said there are two reasons that judges spit out the wines they're sampling: "Number one, so you don't get drunk, and the other thing is you begin to lose your taste-sensation, you get palate-fatigue or taste-fatigue, but also if you're swallowing, your senses are not going to be as sharp."

Some judges open their mouths and breathe over the wine as they taste it, Jones said, because air mixing in releases components of the wine. The weekend promises to be educational, delicious and good exercise, from the "beginner's" discussion Thursday through the Friday night dance and gourmet lunches and brunch Saturday and Sunday.

The Grand Tasting Friday consists of wine tasting, a wine-label competition, a parade of foods from local restaurants, an area artists' exhibition, a silent auction of art and wines to benefit breast cancer research, the presentation of wine awards and a dance.

The silent auction, Doth said, will auction off 20 pieces of art from the contest that selected

Denise Dorn's painting as the poster representing this wine competition, as well as wines from the participating wineries, and other donated items.

Seven area restaurants will participate in the gourmet lunches on Saturday, July 31, while wineries will furnish wines. La Lorraine, Che Bella, Casa del Cocinero, The Incredible, Spanky's, Le Bistro and Ellis Store Country Inn (Isaac's Table) are participating.

On Sunday, Portas Nirvana, an alpaca farm in Ruidoso, will host a brunch.

For more information call 505-257-6171, toll free 877-877-9322, or for the most up-to-date information, visit the website at www.trekwest.com/wine.

Wineries

Representing New Mexico

- Black Mesa - Velarde
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- La Chiripada - Dixon
- La Vina - Chamberino
- Mademoiselle - Deming
- Madison - Ribera

- Milagro Vineyards - Corrales
- Ponderosa Valley Winery - Ponderosa
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- Mountain Spirit Winery - Salida
- Old Town Winery - Arvada
- Plum Creek - Denver
- Trail Ridge Winery - Loveland

Representing Utah

- Arches Winery - Moab
- La Caille - Little Cottonwood Canyon

Southwest Wine Festival Schedule

Thursday, July 29 - Wine Appreciation for Novices, 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Hubbard Museum of the American West. Join the judges for a light discussion of wines and how to best enjoy them along with the opening of the Veloy Vigil exhibit, "The Vivid West of Veloy Vigil." Tickets \$10.

Friday, July 30 - Grand Tasting/A Taste of Ruidoso, 7 p.m. to midnight at the Ruidoso Convention Center. A gala evening featuring wine tasting, a wine label competition, a parade of foods provided by area restaurants, art exhibition, silent auction to benefit breast cancer research, presentation of awards and a dance featuring Mike Pritchard with Blue Thunder and the Lightning Horns. Tickets \$35.

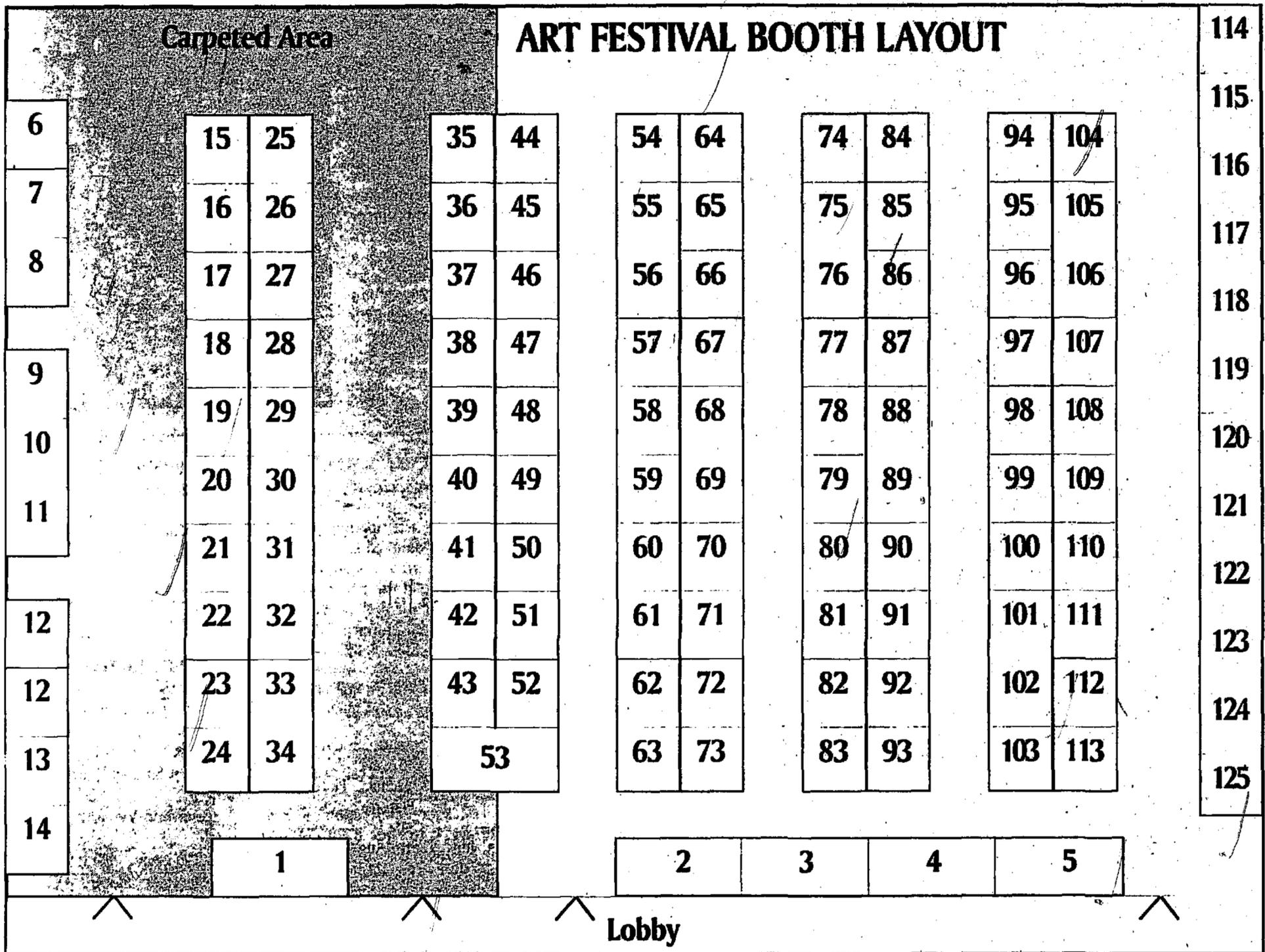
Saturday, July 31 - Four-Course Gourmet Lunches at area restaurants featuring the culinary skills of the area's finest chefs and the fine wines of participating wineries. Tickets \$40.

Sunday, Aug. 1 - Champagne brunch at Portas Nirvana Alpaca Farm, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tickets \$25.

Discounted green fees at the Links at Sierra Blanca are offered to ticket holders. Tickets for the whole weekend are \$100 per person. Call 257-6071 or toll free 877-877-9322 for reservations.

28th Annual Ruidoso Art Festival

Ruidoso Convention Center • Friday noon-6 p.m.; Saturday 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Sunday 11 a.m.-5 p.m.



Ruidoso Art Festival Participants

BOOTH #	NAME	MEDIUM
1	Daryl Howard	Woodblock printmaking
2	B. Herd	Oils
3	Bill Scales	Photography
4	Carol Ann Parsons	Oils
5	Bill Barrick	Acrylic
6	Belva Health	Woodwork
7	Holly Thompson	Pottery
8	J. Chris Morel	Oils
9	Don Ellis	Pottery
10	Al Carr	Woodwork
11	Henry Cherrtoff	Sculpture
12	Mike Holt	Photography
13	Patricia Smiley	Leather
14	Deborah Armijo	Fabric
15	Don Collins	Oils
16	H.W. Tatum, Jr.	Sculpture
17	D.L. Horton	Jewelry
18	Donna Sites	Pen/pencil/ink
19	Carol Carpenter	Watercolor
20	Kathy Kuhn	Photography

BOOTH #	NAME	MEDIUM
21	Monroe Jackson	Jewelry
22	C.C. Owen	Pottery
23	Paula White	Oils
24	Fred S. Stockbauer	Jewelry
25	Alexa Walker	Fabric
26	Nomi Green	Jewelry
27	J. Waid Griffin	Oils
28	Gloria M. Schmidt	Jewelry
29	Barbara J. Briner	Pencil/pen/ink
30	Christopher Heede	Pottery
31	Jim Mauritsen	Sculpture
32	Philip J. Sonier	Photography
33	Douglas Fullmer	Pottery
34	Ben Chavez	Jewelry
35	Joyce Jones	Watercolor
36	Linda Sweet	Pottery
37	Adrian Martinez	Woodwork
38	Laura Cano	Handpainted gourds
39	Candace Faber	Acrylic
40	Linda Hibbertt	Fabric
41	Kate Hollander	Jewelry

BOOTH #	NAME	MEDIUM
42	Cecil B. Lee	Pen/ink/acrylics
43	Donald Keepney	Woodwork
44	Bob and Carol Gerdtz	Egg shell art
45	Monica Miller	Jewelry
46	Anthony Brown	Metalwork
47-48	Krystyna Robbins	Oils
49	Lonn Elletson	Metalwork
50	Walter Cooling	Jewelry
51	Michele Malpica	Sculpture
52	Virgil Stephens	Pencil/pen/ink
53	Doreman Burns	Watercolor
54	Jake Wolfhart	Leather
55-56	Ronnie Wells	Sculpture
57	Shirley Lalli	Pottery
58	Cheryl Lara	Pottery
59	Deda Garlitz	Printmaking
60	Jake Honeycutt	Photography

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Local santera selected for El Paso show

by *Dianna Stallings*
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Artist Polly Chavez, a life-long resident of Carrizozo, was selected as one of three exhibitors for the 25th Anniversary Celebration of the El Paso Museum of History.

Her retablos, images of saints and other religious figures on wooden panels that originated in the 17th Century, were featured with the weaving and basketry of Lin Keeling and saddlemaking of Wilden Tack & Saddle for the opening.

The museum is featuring a

special exhibit called "Famous El Pasians: Past and Present" through Sept. 5.

Chavez, a santera, or creator of devotional art, was the subject last summer of an article in "Traditional Revista," a journal of contemporary and traditional Spanish colonial art and culture. She is a guest retablo lecturer at Eastern New Mexico University in Ruidoso.

Chavez has researched all aspects of the santo religious art form. The inspirational source for her traditional and contemporary retablos stem from her ancestral

religious culture. She has observed historical religious imagery in museums, researched written santo history and self-studied saint iconography and the meaning of associated symbols.

Her work has been exhibited at the Eagle Ranch Gallery in Alamogordo, at santeras and santeros shows in San Acacia and Albuquerque. Her retablos are available at The Aspen Tree in Ruidoso, Mt. Carmel Gift Shop in Alamogordo and the Olivas Gallery in Albuquerque.



courtesy

'Vivid' retrospective

A special opening reception for the exhibition, "The Vivid West of Veloy Vigil," will be from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday, July 29, at the Hubbard Museum of the American West as part of the Connoisseur Classic Southwest Wine Competition. There will be 70 pieces in this first retrospective of Vigil, who died in 1997.

Vigil created large and colorful semi-abstract, impressionistic images of horses, Indians and religious symbols, and dynamic paintings of Southwestern objects. While living in California, Vigil visited New Mexico for inspiration for the fine art works he created on his own time, and eventually moved to Taos.

One of the first honorary members of the Taos Society of Watercolorists and a member of the Colorado Institute of Art Hall of Fame, Vigil was raised on a Colorado ranch and rode in rodeos. He attended the Denver Art Academy and the Colorado Institute of Art, training as a commercial artist, and went on to gain a reputation for his vibrant, colorful paintings.

Meeting the creators behind the creation

by *Lee Walstad*
RUIDOSO HIGH SCHOOL INTERN

Nancy Mitchell's "Meet the Artist Series" at her midtown Ruidoso store, Mitchell's Silver and Gifts, attempts to bridge the gap between artist and connoisseur, creator and appreciator.

Inspiration from the artist themselves sparked Mitchell into action two years ago when she started the series.

"It's a great opportunity for them to showcase and sell themselves. It also helps them understand what the public wants," Mitchell said.

This year's series started July Fourth weekend and continues each weekend through August.

Included in this summer's lineup are:

- Saturday and Sunday, Navajo gold and silversmiths Alvin Monte, Leonard Platero, and Wibert Platero;
- July 31 to Aug. 1, clothing designer Carla Tam;
- Aug. 14 and 15, porcelain doll sculptor Linda Clark;
- Aug. 21 and 22, silversmith

Nestoria Coriz:

- Aug. 28 and 29, Native American flute player Robert Good Luck and silver and goldsmith Paul Arviso.

"Most of my artists have either won prizes or are judges in contests. Two are judges for the state fair jewelry," Mitchell said.

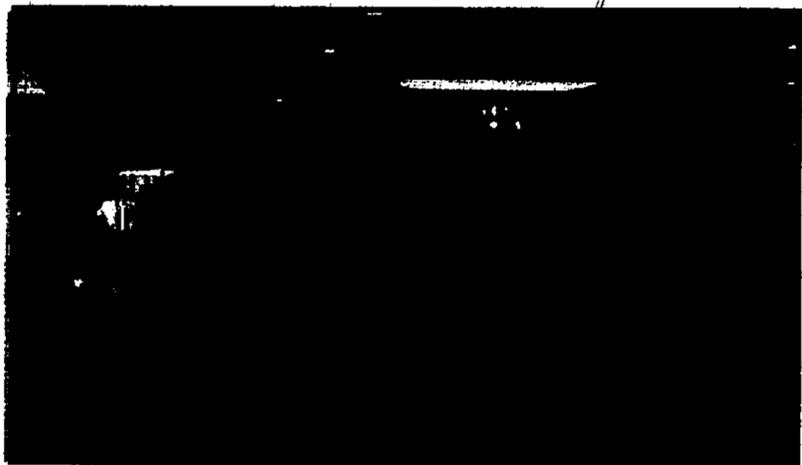
For more information about the 'Meet the Artist Series' call Mitchell's Silver and Gifts at 257-6954. The store is located at 2622 Sudderth and is open seven days a week from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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63	.. Denise Dorn	.. Fabric
64	.. Gary Timinsky	.. Pottery
65	.. Michael Jayme	.. Jewelry
66	.. Noreen Dzat	.. Painted gourds/masks
67	.. Phyllis Malphurs	.. Jewelry
68-69	.. G.H. Reynolds	.. Woodwork
70	.. Larry Bridges	.. Watercolor
71	.. Will and Johanna DeMay	.. Pottery
72	.. G.D. Garrett	.. Watercolor
73	.. Anita Palmer	.. Charcoal
74	.. Jack Day	.. Woodwork
75-76	.. Pat McAllister	.. Oils
77	.. Roger M. Cole	.. Jewelry/Glass
78	.. Brad Loving	.. Sculpture
79	.. Robert LeBlanc	.. Photography
80	.. Leslie McCandless	.. Fabric
81	.. Sharon Kirby	.. Jewelry
82	.. Elzibieta Kaleta	.. Cutout paper collage
83	.. Becky Crown	.. Woodwork

BOOTH #	NAME	MEDIUM	BOOTH #	NAME	MEDIUM
84	.. Owen Rath	.. Watercolor	107	.. Nancy Phillips	.. Pottery
85	.. Marcia Biezau and Bob Tiews	.. Jewelry	108	.. Norma Grafa	.. Watercolor
86	.. Judy Wasechek	.. Pottery	109	.. Mike Grafa	.. Pottery
87	.. Jim Newbury	.. Woodwork	110	.. John and Carol Guest	.. Metalwork
88-89	.. Philonese Baisden	.. Leather sculpture	111	.. Lee Van Pelt	.. Woodwork
90	.. Jordan Torres	.. Sculpture	112	.. Nancy Lee Kaufman	.. Weaving
91	.. Jodi Keffer	.. Glass	113	.. Isz Isz	.. Painting/drawing
92	.. Edward and Brenda Schmiedicke	.. Metalwork	114	.. John Gibsons	.. Gourds
93	.. Michael O'Branovich	.. Pottery	115	.. Vicky Conley	.. Pottery
94	.. Bunny Oliver	.. Oils	116	.. David and Robert Levy	.. Woodwork
95	.. Deborah Dinell Berry	.. Pottery	117	.. Jim Leasure	.. Luminescent painting
96	.. David Dear	.. Jewelry	118	.. Beverly and Paul Wilson	.. Other
97	.. Merry Glazner	.. Oils	119	.. Bill McMullen	.. Woodwork
98	.. Tom K. Conner	.. Jewelry	120	.. Donna Spray	.. Jewelry
99	.. Lois Rae Peterson	.. Pen/pencil/ink	121-122	.. Richard Korczynski	.. Photography
100	.. Laura Hall	.. Woodwork	123	.. Scott Moore	.. Acrylic
101-102	.. Amado M. Pena, Jr.	.. Oils	124	.. Marianne Caroselli	.. Oils
103	.. Robin Ingle	.. Watercolor	125	.. Sandra Schroeder	.. Dried herbs/flowers
104	.. Kathy Morrow	.. Scratchboard art			
105-106	.. Jan Burch	.. Oils			



Apache Tee Cafe

Looking for a meal with some atmosphere, take the short drive to Apache Tee. Serving up steaks, seafood and daily specials created by chef Brendon Gochenhour and drinks from the full-service bar, the Apache Tee has the best view and the friendliest staff around.

Price Range: \$\$
 Phone: 257-5141
 Address: Inn of the Mountain Gods
 Carrizo Canyon Road, Mescalero
 Hours: 6 a.m. - 10 p.m.
 (Closed Monday and Tuesday)

Cattle Baron

Sensational steaks, seafood and a 146-item salad bar are featured on Cattle Baron's menu. Fresh trout, catfish, Pacific snapper and King salmon and speciality dishes like filet mignon with green chili bearnaise sauce are also patron pleasers.

Price Range: \$\$-\$\$\$
 Phone: 257-9355
 Address: 657 Sudderth Dr., Ruidoso
 Hours: 11 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Sun.-
 Thurs.; 11 a.m. to 10:30 p.m.
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 Lounge 9 a.m. to ...

Dan Li Ka Dining Room

Elegant dining with fantastic views of Lake Mescalero provides the atmosphere at Dan Li Ka. The dining room also offers a Sunday brunch buffet and always has fine cuisine choices for lunch and dinner. And while at Dan Li Ka don't miss the decadent dessert and pastry menu.

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 Phone: 257-5141
 Address: Inn of the Mountain Gods
 Carrizo Canyon Road, Mescalero
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 Sunday Brunch noon-3p.m.
 Lunch Mon. - Sat. 11 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
 Dinner 6-9 p.m. everyday

Farley's Food Fun & Pub

Good food, food fun and good prices is what Farley's is all about. The atmosphere is light and fun and there are 16 domestic beers on tap. Cooks Pedro Bonilla and Nick Lawrence grill one of the best burgers around and you won't want to miss the wood-fired pizza.

Price Range: \$-\$\$
 Phone: 258-5676
 Address: 1200 Mechem Dr., Ruidoso
 Hours: The restaurant opens at
 11:30 a.m. 7 days a week

K Bob's Steak House

Steaks, seafood, prime rib and the best salad wagon in town await diners at K Bob's. Open since 1979, the steak house serves up some hearty country breakfasts and daily lunch and dinner specials, as well as catering for all occasions. Y'all come in.

Price Range: \$-\$
 Phone: 378-4747
 Address: West Highway 70
 Ruidoso Downs
 Hours: .. Open 7 days a week from 6 a.m.



La Lorraine

Located in midtown Ruidoso, the inviting exterior of La Lorraine restaurant promises a memorable and exquisite dining experience inside. Low chandelier lighting, softly draped ceilings, lush flower arrangements and soothing music is merely an introduction to a dining experience fulfilled by meticulous service and unforgettable gourmet menu times including Salmon, Steaks, Veal Chop, Rack of Lamb,

and Duck to name a few. The meals are enhanced by an excellent wine list including vintage bordeauxs.

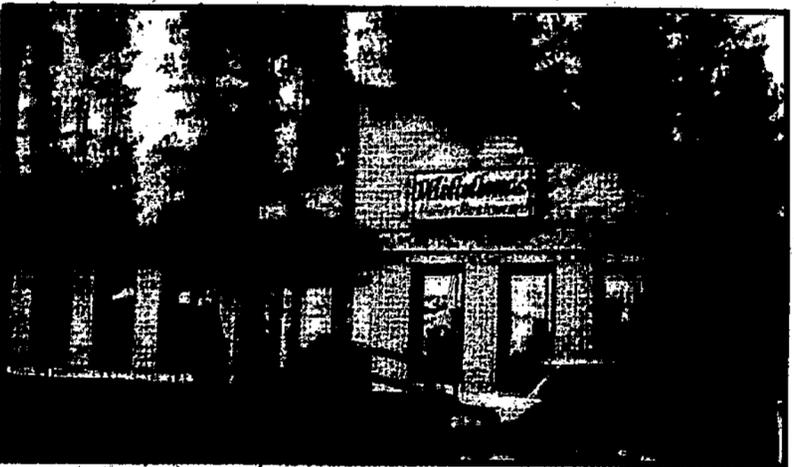
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 Phone: 257-2954
 Address: ... 2523 Sudderth Dr./ Ruidoso
 Hours: Lunch & Dinner / Wed.-Sat.
 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m.
 Dinner Monday-Thursday 5:30-9 p.m.
 Friday and Saturday 5:30-9:30 p.m.



Michelena's Italian Restaurant

Family style dining at one of Ruidoso's favorite restaurants. A variety of Italian dishes such as ravioli, lasagna, manicotti and, of course, pizza. An excellent selection of fine wines and imported beers.

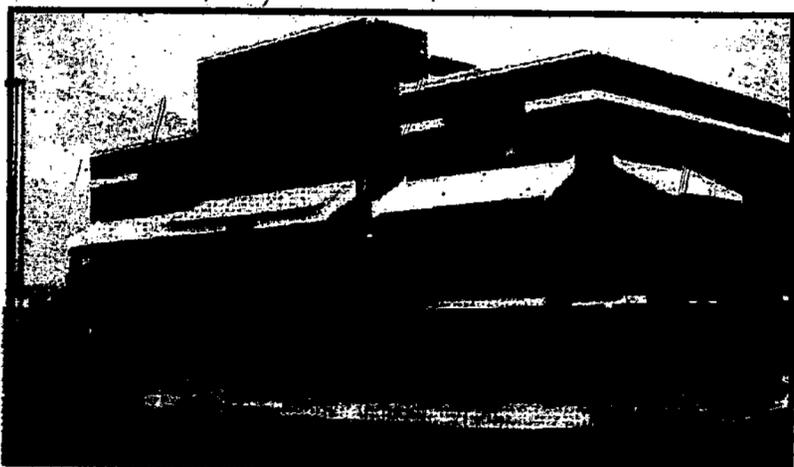
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 Address: 2625 N. Main Street
 Roswell
 Hours: .. Sunday-Thursday 11a.m.-9p.m.
 Friday-Saturday 11a.m.-10p.m.



Texas Club Grill & Bar

Enjoy great charbroiled steaks and seafood, Texas-style chicken fried steak and fresh pasta in a casual Western atmosphere. The menu also features terrific coconut shrimp and fried catfish. Live music on weekends and cocktails are the perfect complement to a Texas Club meal.

Price Range: \$-\$
 Phone: 258-3325
 Address: 212 Metz Dr.
 in Innsbrook Village, Ruidoso
 Hours: Lunch 11:30 a.m.-5 p.m.;
 Dinner 5-10 p.m.;
 (Closed Mondays)



Price range key: entrees priced \$7 and under = \$; entrees \$7 to \$15 = \$\$; entrees \$15 and over = \$\$\$

dining guide

GOING OUT



VAMONOS!

music

a day just for Jay



file photo/Ruidoso News

JAY SILVERMAN has been a familiar voice in Ruidoso.

Local musicians and artists will gather Sunday for a benefit concert to help one of their own, Jay Silverman.

Fellow musicians and performers will get together for a live benefit music jam from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday at The Lighthouse (formerly The Texas House) for Silverman, a respected musician, theatrical director/actor and former DJ.

Silverman was diagnosed with cancer earlier this year and has been receiving chemotherapy and radiation treatment in Albuquerque. He now resides at the Ruidoso Care Center where he's battling the disease which has spread to his brain.

Cheryl and Pete Blanchard of The Lighthouse along with many of Silverman's friends have organized the benefit concert for their dear friend.

Originally from Pittsburgh, Silverman reunited with his old music partner, Ron Turner, five years ago in Ruidoso. After a long music career, including openings for Michael Martin Murphy and a 13-state tour, Silverman is one of Lincoln County's most recognized musicians.

Silverman is known for his involvement with Ruidoso Little Theatre and Ruidoso High School musicals as well. He is a main contributor and organizer of artist showcases and music festivals. He is well known as the happy "I love Mondays" DJ and has two theatrical degrees, as well as 25 years in the music industry under his belt.

There is no cover charge for Sunday's event but donations are accepted. Further donations can be placed in an account in Jay's name at the Ruidoso State Bank.

Win, Place & Show

Silver Creek plays from 8:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. through Sunday at 2516 Sudderth Dr.

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That Place

Teen center located at 1214 Mechem, Ruidoso. Open 3:30 to 9:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 3:30 to 11:30 p.m. Friday, noon to 11:30 p.m. Saturday, and noon to 9:30 p.m. Sunday. No admission. Dances, DJ and live music on weekends. Call for performance schedule, 258-4415.

performances

An Evening of Music & Magic

The Hubbard Museum of the American West second annual Board of Directors' fund raiser. Master magician Peter Studebaker plus the classic cabaret music of Charles Tichenor and Friends will entertain all from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday. Reservations required. Call 378-4142.

Billy Taylor and Ramsey Lewis

Tickets for the 8 p.m. Saturday, July 31 show at the Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts are \$30 and \$35. Call 336-4800 for availability.

Willie Nelson

Tickets for Willie Nelson's 8 p.m. Aug. 15 concert are on sale from the ticket window at Ruidoso Downs Racetrack and Casino and from the gift shop in the casino. Tickets are \$20 for grandstand seating and \$25 for turf club seating, \$25 and \$30 the day of the show. To order by phone call, 378-4140. The racetrack ticket window is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., seven days a week.

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by *Mesha Smith*
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

An evening of wine, hors d'oeuvres and fine visual art at the Spencer Theater on Sunday, Aug. 1, will benefit local women in need of mammograms.

The Art at the Spencer gala will support the Run for the BEACH breast cancer and mammogram program, which provides mammograms for women in Lincoln County who can't afford them.

The art work will be available for previewing from noon to 6 p.m. A live auction will follow from 6 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., with an admission fee of \$10.

"I'm really excited about the auction," Cathy Krugjohann, one of the women who started the Run for the BEACH program, said. "We thought we should do something different. The Spencer Theater is a perfect setting for an elegant auction."

"It's a wonderful opportunity for local people to get involved with fine art from all over the country," said Ann Templeton, a local artist who helped to put the auction together.

Artists from around the country submitted three slides of their work. Ken Hosmer, originally from Ruidoso and who does art workshops all over the United States, was the slide juror, Templeton said. He selected 50 artists, with a total of 70 pieces of art, to be featured at the auction. The winning artists, who come from 20 different states, were notified and now their art work is beginning to come in, Templeton said.

Ray Vinella, a Taos artist, will judge the artwork before the auc-

tion and select award winners. The winners will receive cash prizes, which will be covered by donations and entry money, Templeton said.

"(The prizes) are a draw for artists to present their best work," Templeton said.

Local artists whose work was selected to be in the auction include Ann Templeton, Peggy Jones, N. Phillip Watkins, Dee Wescott, Karen Emerald Reeder, Martin Rose, Louise Barratt, Patsy Blasdel, and William Schumpert, all of Ruidoso. Sarall Canning of Capitan, Paula White of Hondo, and Martha Kellar of La Luz, also were selected.

Other notables in the show, many of whom have displayed their work in local galleries, include Dean Mitchell, Kansas; Judi Vettes, Louisiana; Carla O'Connor, Washington; Bill James, Florida, and Lyuba and Aleksander Titovets, El Paso, Texas.

"We think we've put together a wonderful show," Templeton said.

The Hubbard Museum of the American West is providing movable art walls for displaying the work at the event, and Bruce Eldredge, director of the museum, will be the auctioneer.

"This is very important for our community. Breast cancer is a real problem and we need to work together to find a solution," Eldredge said. "It's important for us to be involved in raising money to help."

"We've had a lot of support from people and as a result have been able to benefit a lot of people," Krugjohann said.

Estimated prices for the pieces range from \$300 to \$10,000. A percentage of the sales will go to the artists, the rest to the Run for the BEACH programs. All proceeds, above expenses, also will go to Run for the BEACH.

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Inspector Gadget

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Show times: 10:45 a.m., 1 p.m., 2:45 p.m., 4:45 p.m., 7 p.m.
Plot: Inept security guard John Brown (Matthew Broderick) has a big heart equal to his far-fetched dreams of becoming the world's greatest police officer. Unexpected circumstances make him the ideal candidate for a top secret law enforcement project, and pretty scientist Dr. Brenda Bradford (Joely Fisher) applies her expertise in robotics to build him into a man of many talents - and accessories. Using a vast array of grafted-on gizmos and doohickies to bust bad guys, the often clueless Inspector Gadget must also employ all his common sense to crack a complicated case. As he penetrates the darkest underworld, Gadget must save his name and reputation, and also rescue the world from the nefarious Claw (Rupert Everett).

The Haunting

Rated: PG-13
Show times: 11 a.m.* 1:20 p.m., 3:30 p.m., 6 p.m., and 8:30 p.m.
Plot: A remake of a 1960s suspense thriller.

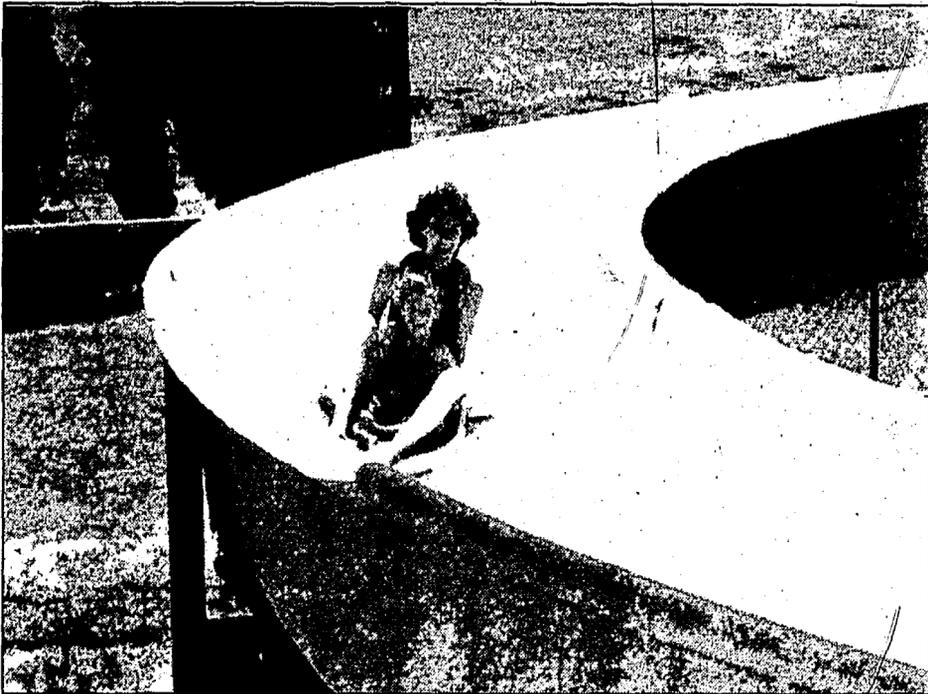
Big Daddy

Rated: PG-13
Show times: 11:15 a.m.* 1:15 p.m., 3:15 p.m., 6:15 p.m., 8:45 p.m.
Plot: Thirty-two-year-old Sonny Koufax (Adam Sandler) is a law school graduate who is steadfastly avoiding the pressures of adult responsibilities. As the lone holdout among his group of law school buddies, he eschews the career and marriage fast-track for a part-time job, the neighborhood sports bar and endless take-out meals. In a misguided attempt to impress his girlfriend, Vanessa (Kristy Swanson), and prove he's ready for responsibility, Sonny adopts a 5-year-old boy, under the false pretense of being his biological father. And the consequences are more than Sonny bargained for.

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Kid's play

• where to take the children •

Fun places for the young and the young at heart abound in Ruidoso. Here's a list of places to take the kids.

• **FUNTRACKERS**, located at 101 Carrizo Canyon Road (257-3275), is an amusement park that offers bumper boat rides (children 7 or older), three tracks for go-carts (children 14 and up only on the "pro" track), 18 holes of miniature golf, video arcade, and a snack bar.

Bumper boats, go-carts and miniature golf cost \$4 each; the "pro" track costs riders \$4.

Funtrackers is open from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily from Memorial Day through Labor Day.

• **MUNICIPAL SWIMMING POOL** is where families can cool off with a dip in the village swimming pool at Schoolhouse Park, 501 Sudderth Drive (257-2795). The pool, which is operated by the Ruidoso Parks and Recreation Department, is open until middle August.

Swimming fees are \$2.25 per swim or \$50 for a season pass. Hours of operation are 11:45 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. daily.

It costs \$6 for swimmers who want to use the slide, or \$80 for a swim and slide season pass. Lap swims cost \$2.25 per person or \$30 for a season pass.

An adult lap swim is scheduled for 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Family passes are available as well for a cost of \$75, or \$150 for swim and slide.

Also on tap at the pool are two teen pool parties scheduled. The

fun starts at 7 p.m. until 10 p.m. Cost is \$4 per teen-ager, ages 13-16. Call for dates, 257-2795.

• **PLAYGROUNDS AND PARKS** Also at Schoolhouse Park is a playground. It features 15 different play equipment, some of which are accessible to wheelchair-bound children. The play equipment includes a slide and jungle gym. Four, lighted tennis courts, picnic tables, three pavilions and restroom facilities are available as well.

A short jaunt west on Sudderth takes you to Two Rivers Park, located behind the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce. Carrizo Creek meets the Rio Ruidoso at Two Rivers Park, which offers a playground with swings, a slide and circular ride and picnic pavilion area. The park closes at night-fall.

Skateboarders and roller bladers can skate, jump and hot-dog to their hearts content at Northpark, another relatively new village addition. Northpark is next to Fire Station No. 2 on White Mountain Drive. It's open from 8 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Sunday through Thursday, and 8 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday. A parent or legal guardian is required to be in attendance at all times with children under 13 years of age.

For a more structured program, parents can enroll their children (ages 7 to 12) in the Ruidoso Parks and Recreation's Wilderness Camp. Wilderness Camp, which begins in early June and runs through the summer, offers participants outdoor activities such as

hiking, fishing, archery, canoeing, arts and crafts, swimming, field trips and nature studies designed just for children.

For program prices and more information, call the Parks and Recreation Office at 257-5030.

• **THAT PLACE**, a teen center, is located at 1214 Mechem, Ruidoso. Summer hours are noon to 11:30 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday. There is no admission charge. Dances, DJ and live music are on weekends, plus video games and a snack bar. Call 258-4415 for more information.

In Alamogordo

The Space Center, located at the top of New Mexico Highway 2001 in Alamogordo, has expanded its hours for the summer. The International Space Hall of Fame and the John P. Stapp Air and Space Park will open from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. daily through Sept. 5.

From now through June 30, the IMAX Dome Theater and Planetarium will show "Whales" daily at 10 a.m., noon, 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. The theater will show "Thrill Ride: The Science of Fun" at 11 a.m., 1 p.m., 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. daily through Sept. 5.

Skywatch, the free monthly update on the changing night sky, will continue throughout the summer. The program is presented in the Tombaugh Planetarium at 9 a.m. on the first Saturday of every month.

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The fun continues...



Drew Gamber
HISTORIAN,
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Regulator captain Dick Brewer had not been present at the assassination of Sheriff Brady. If he had, it may not have occurred. The murder was engineered by what was known as the "hothead element" of the Regulators: Fred Waite, Henry Brown, Frank MacNab, Jim French, John Middleton, and Billy the Kid. Tunstall friend and hanger-on Rob Widenmann was also present, but tried to claim later that he had only been out there in the corral to feed the dog. When the newspapers began to contemptuously refer to him as "the dog feeder," he dropped the subject.

Roberts' only hope was to surrender, and Roberts was quick to point out that the last two men to surrender to the Regulators now had so many bullets in them that they could be sold for scrap metal.

Blazer's Mill

Brewer was present on the fourth of April, on the Mescalero Reservation, for the Regulators confrontation with Andrew L. "Buckshot" Roberts, much to his regret.

Roberts was one of the men who had ridden with the posse that had killed Tunstall and therefore, was one of the men who the Regulators were most anxious to uh, speak with. The fact is, while the Regulators had warrants for all these men, they wound up treating these warrants more like hunting licenses.

Roberts had been expecting a check for the sale of his farm to arrive any time at the Indian Agency (Blazer's Mill), and had gone there to see if it had been delivered on the morning of April 4. Upon his arrival, he was informed by Doctor Blazer that the Regulators were in the area, and that he, Roberts, should make himself scarce. Besides, the mail had not yet arrived.

A short while after Roberts left that place, he saw the mail rider making his way toward the Mill. Turning his mule around, Buckshot headed cautiously back to the Mill. It was a terminal mistake.

Observing the Mill from a distance, Roberts could see no sign of the Regulators. So he began to ride in. What he did not know was that, in his brief absence, the Regulators had arrived and quartered their horses behind a large adobe wall - out of sight. As Roberts approached, they were inside dining.



SHERIFF WILLIAM BRADY

Dismounting and, in accordance with a rule of Dr. Blazer's, leaving his gunbelt slung across his saddle, Roberts, carrying his Winchester, began to head for the house. When he saw Frank Coe, a Regulator with whom he had been friendly in the past, emerge from one of the buildings, he knew he was in trouble.

Coe and the now-nervous Roberts sat down on the porch and "parlayed." Coe pointed out that Roberts' only hope was to sur-

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render, and Roberts was quick to point out that the last two men to surrender to the Regulators now had so many bullets in them that they could be sold for scrap metal.

The two men continued talking, and Dick Brewer became impatient. According to George Coe, the Regulator captain asked for volunteers and immediately got three: George, Charlie Bowdre, and the Kid.

When Roberts saw this trio round the corner in an extremely confrontational manner, he leapt to his feet. At the same time, Frank Coe scurried out of the line of fire. Charlie Bowdre commanded Roberts to throw up his hands to which the plucky Roberts replied "Not much Maryann," and the proverbial horse apples hit the fan.

Bowdre's pistol and Roberts' rifle roared almost simultaneously. Roberts' bullet slammed into Bowdre's belt buckle, knocking the wind out of Charlie and sending the bullet ricocheting directly into George Coe's gun hand (which George described as "my usual luck") and took off his trigger finger. Bowdre's bullet slammed into Roberts' groin, inflicting a painful, and ultimately fatal, wound.

This seems to have enraged Dick Brewer. Vowing to get Roberts at any cost, Brewer ran down in front of the building and took cover behind a pile of logs. He rose up once and fired, and Roberts took note of where the puff of smoke had come from. When Brewer rose up again, Roberts was waiting. His bullet hit the Regulator captain in the eye and took off the back of his head.

The Regulators, seeing what had happened to Brewer, decided on the spot that they had enough of Bucksfoot Roberts and fled in disarray. Roberts died of his wound the next day and was buried next to Brewer.

It was yet another public relations disaster for the Regulators. People found it almost impossible not to admire Roberts' courageous stand against such overwhelming odds.

McSween

While all this was going on, Alexander McSween had been fighting the war his own way: with a pen instead of a sword. McSween had something of a tendency to delude himself, a fact that became even more apparent as time went on. He never really stopped his war of words, even after he had fled into the hills with the Regulators.

But Alexander was ill-suited to be leading men into combat,

and by July of 1878, after much skirmishing all over Lincoln County, he decided that it was time for him to go home. And on July 14, that was exactly what he did.

Leading the Regulators — and they were about 40 strong — back into Lincoln, the lawyer found that the Murphy/Dolan faction was mostly out in the hills searching for the Regulators. The few that were still in town (including Jimmy Dolan) made themselves scarce to the point of invisibility.

The Regulators took position up and down the street. Some fortified up in the Ellis Store, some in the Montano Store, only three of them went into the Tunstall Store, and about a dozen or so entered the McSween house, including McSween himself and Billy the Kid.

Why only three of them went into the Tunstall Store we will never know, as the place was constructed like a fortress. In the words of historian Bob Boze Bell, "if they had gone in there, they'd still be in there."

The McSween house

The McSween house had been Lincoln's showplace ever since the McSweens had built it. Shaped like a "U," the open end of it faced away from the street. At the top of the "U" on both sides there was a kitchen. The McSweens used the west wing as their living quarters and their in-laws, the Shields, used the east.

On the 15th of July, the Murphy/Dolan faction came thundering back into town "yelling and shooting" according to one eyewitness. There was reportedly about 100 shots fired during this grand entrance.

Then for the next several days, there was much shooting on both sides, without a whole lot of effect. Murphy/Dolan partisan Charlie "Lallacooler" Crawford was wounded — fatally, as it turned out — by Regulator Fernando Herrera. And by dawn of the fifth day, there may have been one, possibly two, dead Regulators in the McSween house. This is kind of a tough question, though. The two names mentioned as being the dead men are Joe Bowers and Tom Cullins. However, at least one source claims that Cullins and Bowers were the same man, and both of them seem to make appearances later in the drama. It is one of the many little mysteries of the Lincoln County War that has yet to be solved.

McSween's condition

Alexander McSween seems to have been fairly delusional

throughout the siege. And why not? For the first four days, it appears to have been something of a Mexican standoff, with lots of shooting and only one (or two? or three?) fatalities. The two little armies were pretty evenly matched, and the Regulators were well-fortified in their positions.

There was one thing that they hadn't reckoned on, though: the U.S. government — in the form of a man named Nathan Dudley

Colonel Dudley commanded Fort Stanton, and he had explicit orders not to get involved in this civil conflict. However, his sympathies were clearly with the Dolan camp and he had a great antipathy for attorney McSween as well.

Using the excuse that the Regulators had fired on a soldier from the fort (whether or not they did is still being debated), he marched his men into town on July 19th, the fifth — and last

— day of the siege.

Sources: "A Documentary History of the Lincoln County War" by Frederick Nolan; "The West of Billy the Kid" by Frederick Nolan; "Billy the Kid — A Handbook" by Jon Tuska and "High Noon in Lincoln" by Robert Utley.

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